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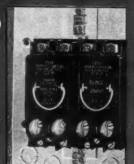
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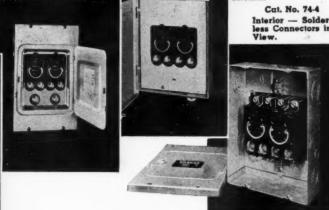
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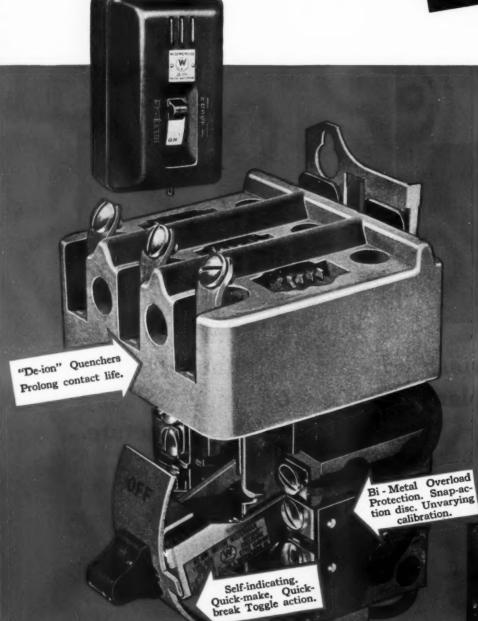
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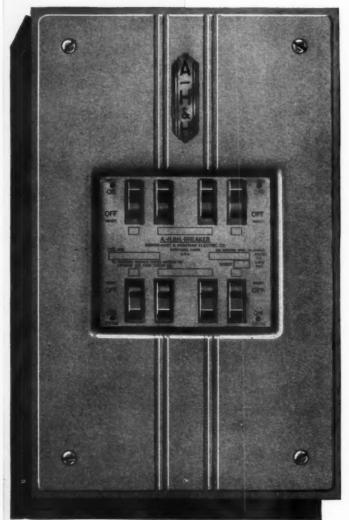


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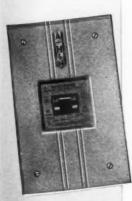
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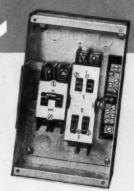
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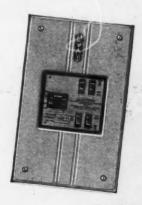
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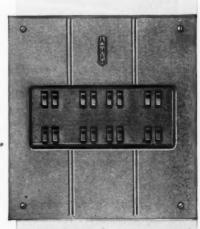
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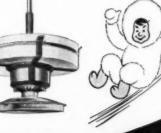


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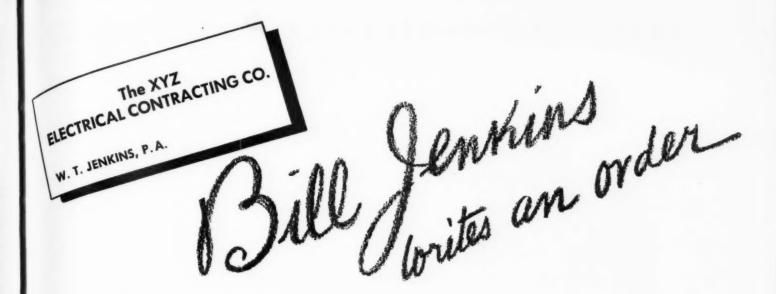


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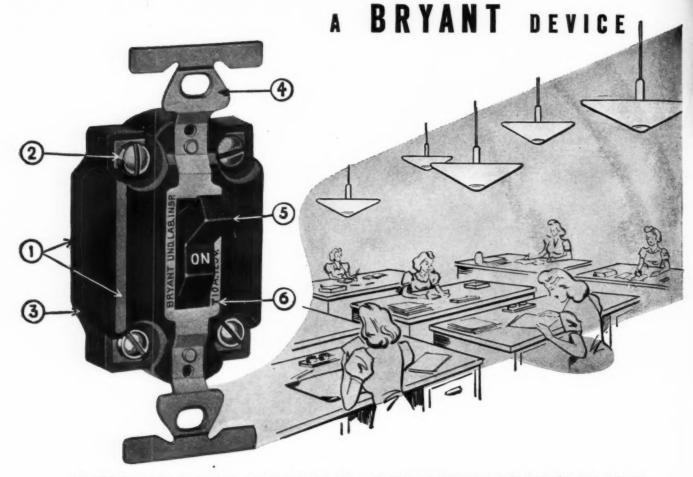




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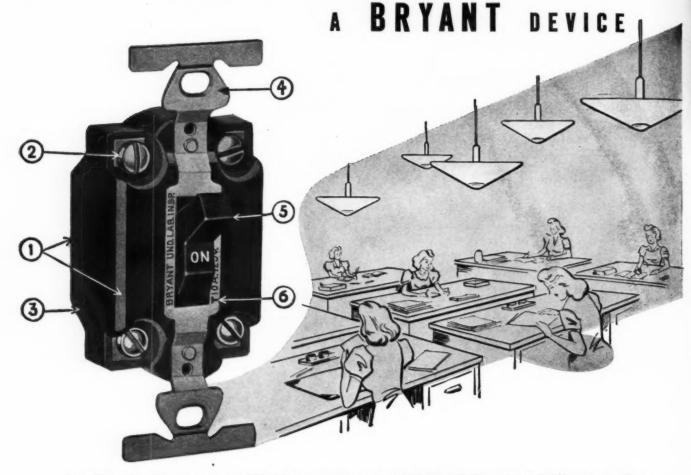
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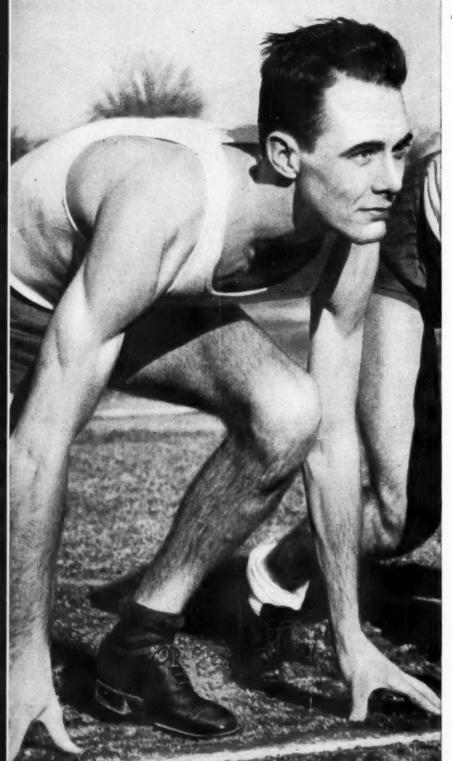
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A Sorry Joke

- IN MY BERTH THE LIGHT WAS DIM. It was the one o'clock out of Detroit, the night of Henry Ford's great party to Edison. The next car was full, the porter in bed in the wash room. I sat in the corner basin, my feet in the next basin, writing on a pad propped on my knees, when in popped Will Rogers. He laughed at me but slid down in the other basin and we talked for an hour. His wit was sparkling.
- WILL ROGERS WAS A POWER in American opinion because he could laugh at things going wrong and make them ridiculous. I wish he had had a little time for the electrical industry! He could have made some fun over a number of things—the residential lighting fixture situation, for example.
- THE POPULARITY OF "FIXTURES" slowly died. Many houses today install almost none of them. Portable lamps have outrun ceiling and wall fixtures in both decorative interest and lighting values. Contractors have quit pushing fixture outlets and put in receptacles.
- WELL, I.E.S. LAMPS HAVE SHOWN that good lighting can be sold. Now ceiling and wall fixtures are to be "certified" for illuminating efficiency. But will that sell them? Two things stand in the way—
 - One—If people pay more for chandeliers and brackets they will want to be able to take them along when they move. This equipment must become personal property—not "fixtures."
 - Two—If such certified fixtures are to be used, ready outlets must be provided by the contractor when the house is wired.
- FAN OUTLETS ARE NOW IN COMMON USE, that provide a hook and a place to plug in. Lighting fixtures must be handled the same way. They must hook onto the wall or ceiling and plug in—removable—interchangeable. And it must be made profitable for the contractor to install these fixture-hooks and also to sell the lighting units.
- AT PRESENT, THE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR apparently is not provided for in the fixture industry's new program. If so it does not stand out. Fixtures are blocked today, they say, because contractors do not provide outlets for them. And contractors probably will not become much interested until "fixture-hooks" can be installed as a finished job—with profit.
- DOES SOMEBODY SAY—"It's been tried and failed!" Sure! That's really the joke of it. For if the "Elexit" idea had been perfected and pushed through, the fixture business would have been saved. The contractor can help restore it.

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LIGHTING the NATIONAL AIRPORT

How light controls airline traffic at the newly constructed air terminal at the Nation's Capital. An ingenious signal light system directs landings and take-offs of night planes. Many of the ideas are applicable to smaller fields.

by August Eckel

National Airport. Will be over field in two minutes." With these words ringing in his ears, the control tower operator watches for the position lights of "Flight Seven." And with a flip of a switch, he turns on a large green arrow indicating the approach and runway the incoming liner is to use. Simultaneously, red signal lights hold outgoing planes on taxi strips. The same switch floodlights and outlines the designated runway.

The giant airliner lands. The floodlights go out. A series of blue taxi

guidance lights then go on, to guide the plane from the runway to the brightly lighted apron of the terminal building. Thus the modern airliner is guided with clockwork precision to a perfect night landing. And it's all done with lights.

This is what happens at the newly constructed Washington National Airport at Gravelly Point, Va. The airport is just across the Potomac from the Capitol and at the foot of historic "Abingdon", in 1677 home of John Alexander. The task of designing this complicated, yet easy-to-operate, light-

ing and control system was handled by H. J. Cory Pearson, electrical engineer for the Civil Aeronautics Authority and by the Westinghouse lighting engineers. Installation of the field lighting was done by the Howard P. Foley Company, Inc.; the terminal building and hangar power and lighting by Harry Alexander, Inc., both electrical contractors of Washington, D. C.

Power enters the central heating building through two independent underground 22 kv. feeders, each fed from a separate utility line and operated in parallel. Each feeder is large enough to take the entire airport load if necessary, and terminates in a 2000 kva, 22,000/2300-volt, three-phase transformer in an open vault outside the building. Provision is made for two additional future incoming feeders.

The secondary 2300-volt feeders go through the main cubicle type switch-board in this building, underground to the transformer and electrical equipment rooms in the terminal building. Here certain feeders go on through



PULLING CABLE for contact light circuits on taxi strips. Truck will leave and go to bandhole 200-ft, away to pull while this crew feeds the cable. Contact lights are to right of handhole.

FLUORESCENT ARROW and cross for control of air traffic consists of 16 sections mounted at a 15 degree angle with the ground. Green fluorescent elements form the arrow; flashing red ones the cross.

> plug to break the circuit if the light is knocked over. The ducts are connected by adapters and conduit nipples direct to the disconnecting boxes.

Obstruction lights are mounted on the buildings, hangars and the tops of the runway floodlights. Those on the hangars are fed from the building panel and controlled by a relay in the boundary light circuit. Those on the floodlights are fed by series-to-multiple transformers in the boundary light circuits. These lights are double units with each side fed from a separate boundary circuit to insure against a total failure.

A 300 millimeter beacon on top of the control tower flashes a green code signal. This identifies the airport and

A ceiling projector is mounted about 1000 feet behind the administration building. It projects a narrow beam of light vertically in the air, enabling

gives its exact location.

CONTROL CENTER is this desk type board where four switches control 135 field lighting circuits. Simulated runways light up to show dispatcher which runway and field the ceiling height to be determined by simple triangulation.

The runway lighting consists of floodlights and contact lights. The landing area covers 556 acres and provides four runways, the smallest being 4,100 feet long and 150 feet wide; the largest, 6,855 feet long and 200 feet wide. Each runway is floodlighted from the approach ends by two 3000watt, 32-volt projector floodlights, one on each side of the runway and far enough away from it to form no obstructions. They are mounted six feet above the runway level. Each pair of lights is on a separate control.

These floodlights are fed by the 2300volt underground radial distribution system terminating in one underground transformer vault at both ends of each runway. Each vault forms the base for one of the lights. They contain 2300/32-volt transformers for the floodlights as well as the 2300/120-volt transformers feeding the taxi guidance,



CONTACT LIGHTS are fed from adjacent flush pre-cast handholes. These units are the red and green combination at the intersection of the taxi strip and runway. They control planes taxiing to runways.

protective equipment to feed the 2300volt radial underground distribution for field lighting; also for the large air conditioning, fire pump and fan motors in the terminal building. Other feeders terminate in two 500 kva., 2300/208volt three-phase network transformers with network protectors. They feed the 120/208, 3-phase, 4-wire systems for terminal building and hangar power and lighting.

An emergency stand-by gasoline driven generator set, automatically connected to the incoming feeders, serves landing area lighting, radio and ample emergency building lighting. If one feeder fails, the set automatically starts and runs idle. When the second feeder fails the load is automatically transferred to the emergency set.

Field and Runway Lighting

In general, all field, runway, traffic control lighting, telephone, and lighting control circuits are run underground with lead covered cable, in fibre conduit. This provides maximum protection, flexibility and facility for repairing and replacing cables.

Boundary lights of the series cone type, spaced 250 feet apart, outline the periphery of the airport, which covers a total of 729 acres. They have white prismatic globes to concentrate the light. They are fed alternately from two series circuits, protected by separate regulators in terminal buildings.

Each regulator has relay protection from accidental open circuits. Each boundary light base has a disconnecting



vault is approximately 5-ft. by 6-ft. by 6-ft. high and is completely waterproofed inside and out. It has a telephone connection to the control tower.

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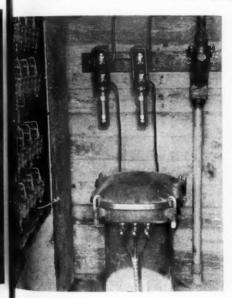
Contact lights, set flush in the ground, are spaced about 200 feet apart, directly opposite each other adjacent to both edges of all runways. The units are of the series type and concentrate the light up and down the runway at a 4 to 6 degree angle above the horizontal. Series circuits are used on these and the boundary lights to provide better service, reduce outages and to operate all units at the same brightness. Only the runway contact lights on one runway can be operated at one time. Duplicate controls are provided. For a distance of 1500 feet from the end of each runway these contact lights have yellow split filters to prevent taxiing planes from overrunning the end of the runway. Connections from the duct lines to the units are made through pre-

range and traffic control lights. Each cuits fed from the 120-volt bus in the runway transformer vaults.

The air control signal consists of a 90-ft. gaseous type luminous tube green arrow with a similar 90-ft. red cross superimposed on it. Six of these, units are mounted at a 15 degree angle to the horizontal on the axis of approach at both ends of each runway. Two units of incandescent type, consisting of multiple red and green contact lights are mounted at the ends of the East-West runway, because of the limited runway end space.

A green arrow indicates a clear runway and the approach an incoming plane should use. The flood and contact lights of this runway will also be lighted. If a take-off is being made the dispatcher turns on the red flashing cross, warning the incoming plane to stay aloft until a green arrow comes on.

Associated with these air signals are a group of traffic lights to control plane traffic on the ground. These consist





VAULT INTERIOR contains transformers. relays, circuit breakers and flasher equipment to control 32-volt floodlights and 120volt traffic and runway lighting. All lights are operated from control tower.

LIGHT FOR GUIDANCE is provided by this typical group of floodlight, obstruction lights and ground traffic control lights, all mounted on a runway transformer vault. Narrow beam green traffic light is at right.

cast concrete handholes and conduit nipples.

Range lights at the ends of the runways are flush contact lights with green filters. They are coded with five lights at each end of one runway and on the others four, three and two respectively. Four lights can be used on each end, if desired.

The new traffic lighting system is designed to control air and ground plane traffic in much the same manner that traffic signals control city automobile traffic. All units are on multiple cir-

of traffic light standards, similar to street traffic lights, mounted on the floodlight supports. Each unit consists of a red "stop" light and a green "go" light, both hooded and visible only to planes taxiing to the runway. A narrow beam green "go" light mounted at the far end of the runway is visible only to pilots waiting to take-off. This prevents the reception of a "go" signal by a pilot at the wrong end of the same runway.

Taxi guidance lights are flush con-(Continued on Page 75)

EQUIPMENT INSTALLED

- 5-71/2 kva, 2300/120/240 volt transformers
- I-10 kva, 2300/120/240 volt transformer
- 2-15 kva, 2300/120/240 volt transformers
- 8-71/2 kva, 2300/32 volt transformers
- -Remote control cabinets 16—Westinghouse Type CAG-25, 3,000 watt, 32 volt floodlights
- -Duplex obstruction lights
- -Westinghouse Type RCOC oil switches
- 32-Westinghouse Type ES cutout type disconnects
- 16—Series-multiple transformers 8-Panelboards (load centers)
- 72—Series cone type boundary lights
- 5-Series type flush boundary lights
- 34-Series type flush range lights
- 174—Series type contact runway lights
- 88-Multiple type contact taxi lights I-Ceiling projector
- 14-Multiple type contact red traffic lights
- -Multiple type contact green traffic
- lights -Traffic light assemblies for runways
- -Code Flashers
- Red cross and green arrow units of incandescent type
- -Red Cross and green arrow units, of gaseous luminous type
- Electric smoke generators
- -Auxiliary code beacon
- -Wind vane with obstruction light
- -Anemometer with obstruction light -Control desk
- Selective auxiliary contactor panel
- with about 560 sets of contacts -Constant current regulators
- -3 kva, 2300/120/240 volt transformers
- I-Set of miscellaneous relays and oil switches Additional miscellaneous equipment for incoming feeders

MATERIAL INSTALLED

- 95,000 ft.-3-inch NoCrete fibre con-
- duit 48,000 ft .- 2-inch NoCrete fibre conduit
- 30,000 ft .- 3-inch standard fibre conduit
- 125,000 ft.—Series cable
- 14,000 ft.-3-conductor, No. 8, 2500volt, RLC cable
- 9,000 ft .- 2-conductor, No. 8, 2500volt, RLC cable
 - 600 ft .- No. 12 RLC wire
- 76,000 ft .- No. 8 RLC wire
- 43,000 ft .- No. 6 RLC wire
- 500 ft.-No. I RLC wire
- 5,500 ft .- 500,000 CM RLC cable
- 38.000 ft.-control cable
- 2,000 ft.—I-inch galvanized conduit 12,000 ft.—I¼-inch galvanized conduit
- 17,000 ft.—11/2-inch galvanized conduit
- 500 ft.—2-inch galvanized conduit 1,200 ft.—3-inch galvanized conduit
 - 314 —Pre-cast concrete handholes

THIRTY YEARS ago Mrs. Anna A. Fagan belped ber busband start a little motor shop. Under her sound business management the firm prospered and gained statewide reputation.



IDEA MAN is Ellis M. Fagan, Jr., who, besides operating the business, is trained in law, represents his district as State Senator, a Reserve Officer in the Army Air Corps.

NLY a pipe rail separates the winding lathe from a modern office area furnished in chromuim and leather—and the effect is not unsightly. For at the Fagan Electric Company in Little Rock, Arkansas, the shop gets the same housekeeping as the office. The emphasis on neatness and orderliness is a by-product of carefully planned shop layout and efficient production methods.

For 30 years this shop has been under the management of Mrs. Anna A. Fagan. And for the last seven years, Ellis M. Fagan, Jr. has been in charge and a state-wide reputation and continuous growth has required shop expansion four times. Again, Fagan reports, plans are underway for a new and larger shop.

Not content with simply rewinding and repairing motors, the Fagans have gone far afield in an effort to study their customers' industrial service problems. They want to find where they can serve in a way that will benefit the customer and contribute to the growth of the organization.

Specializingin

Outstanding for line production methods on transformer rewinds and fine shop housekeeping, the Fagan Electric Company of Little Rock creates its own market by meeting customers' problems.

Fagan found, for example, that utilities want their transformer repairs made with factory reliability and efficiency, with speedy work to permit a minimum inventory of spare transformers. The Fagans examined the potential market for transformer rewinds in the area. They found it represents a steady volume of interesting proportions. Factory winding methods were studied and the shop organized and equipped to handle transformer rewinding on a production basis.

Under contract with utility companies, transformers are picked up at the customer's storeroom and brought into the shop. At the receiving platform they are tagged and stacked. In an area partitioned off from the main shop, strippers dismantle the transformers and remove the old coils. All of the shop's dirty work such as stripping and cleaning is done in this area. A convenient mono-rail hoist allows one man handling of the heaviest equipment.

Work Allocation

Work is allocated by job sheets. The winders start with the data sheet, work steadily on the coils entirely to specification. Another crew handles vacuum impregnation and assembly. New leads, insulators and terminals are installed where required. The tanks get a thorough cleaning and a prime coat of paint before test. After the routine test of double the voltage plus 1,000 volts, the transformers get a finished coat of paint and are returned to the shipping area for delivery to the customer. A batch of 25 to 30 transformers will go through the shop in about one week on regular schedule. Rush jobs can be put through in three

Normally, under the repair contract, a continuous flow of transformers is rolling through on a regular schedule. This permits a very close scheduling of each operation and a cost saving balance in the production line.

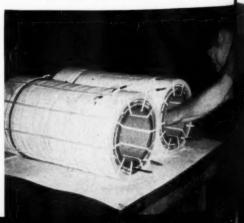
Close control of methods and careful selection of high quality insulating materials has set an enviable performance record on the rewinds. They claim that in seven years not a single job has come back to the shop as a result in failure of workmanship or materials.

Transformer business volume runs \$4,000 to \$5,000 a month. In the last seven years approximately 6,000 transformers have gone through the shop. Three men handle the winding lathes, three men handle test and assembly and two men take care of cleaning and stripping.

Integral horsepower industrial motors are handled with the same emphasis on system and orderly procedure. Cleaning and stripping is completed before the motor reaches the main shop. An orderly array of benches, coil winders and coil formers take care of the larger motors. This department operates under a separate foreman with three or four mechanics. The adjoining machine shop is equipped to handle all types of mechanical repairs.

In outlying communities in this part of the country, industrial plants with skilled electrical maintenance crews sometimes prefer to handle their own

ALL SIZES from 1½ to 500 k.v.a. units are bandled in the line. These coils are for a 100 k.v.a. single phase 33,000 volt unit



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FINISHED COILS are formed and spread on a modern coil spreader. Precision equipment permits working exactly to specifications.

repairs on large units. But Fagan finds a way to get business there too. He offers the facilities of a coil winding department, winding and forming coils to motor specifications. Finished coil sets complete with slot insulation are packaged and shipped to these customers on a rush schedule. "If we learn the customer's problem, we can always find a way to serve him," Fagan says.

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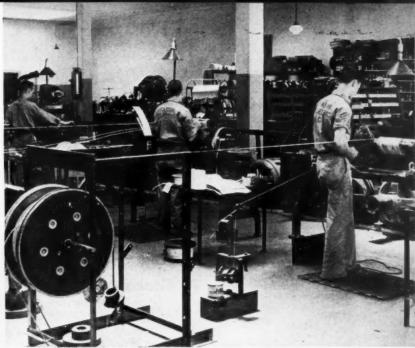
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Fractional horsepower business is handled profitably by streamlining routine and standard price schedules. Small motor work is carried on in a separate department where all the equipment, tools, stock and parts are carefully organized. Authorized service is handled through dealers on Emerson, Delco and Sunlight motors. The same

FINISHED COILS are lined up ready for compounding and assembly while transformer cases undergo cleaning and painting.





TRANSFORMER COILS are wound to specification on speedy lathes. The steady flow of production gives these operators an opportunity to develop a high degree of skill and speed in this operation.



BENCH ASSEMBLY and test of industrial motors is handled with orderly bench equipment. Dirty work, cleaning, stripping and baking is kept in a separate department away from the main shop.

facilities are available for any make antee. Major repairs are guaranteed of fractional horsepower motor. for one year. Dealers are provided

Repair prices are quoted on three classifications; minor repair, major repair and complete rebuild. On a conventional & hp. washing machine motor, split phase, minor repairs include all repairs that do not require winding. Major repairs include renewing of the starting winding and rebuild includes replacing both windings and all minor repairs. The prices for this type of motor are:

Minor repair\$3.00
Major repair\$5.06
Complete rebuild\$6.53

All fractional horsepower jobs are tested on a dynamometer test bench with starting torque, r.p.m., watts, idle and full load, current and 100 per cent overload. The readings on repair motors must come up to the original factory characteristics.

Minor repairs carry a 90 day guar-

antee. Major repairs are guaranteed for one year. Dealers are provided with tags to speed and simplify routine. The tag attached to the motor constitutes an order. Work is started without waiting for additional authorization as soon as the motor is received at the shop.

Three men are regularly assigned to the fractional horsepower motor department. The small motor shop is organized so that it operates independently without recourse to the tools, equipment or stock of the main shop.

An elaborate filing system includes a data record, for all types of motors and apparatus, which is permanently filed for shop reference. Customer records include a tabulation of motor driven equipment and specifications for each of the customer's motors. This file is particularly valuable for service calls at distant points as complete shop data is immediately available. In calling for

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HOW INSULATION RESISTANCE

Special tests clear up factors affecting coils having asbestos, glass and mica insulation.

By Graham Lee Moses

Insulating Engineer Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co.

NSULATION resistance is one of the most extraordinary properties of matter. No other quality varies so widely between different materials nor so greatly under different conditions in the same material. So, since relative values may be so widely different, insulation resistance measurements have been widely misunderstood and mis-used.

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The recognized factors affecting insulation resistance are material, treatment, temperature, test voltage, time test voltage is applied, moisture absorption, thickness of insulation and contact area. All of these factors are interdependent upon one another so that it is difficult to discuss each separately. Fabrics not only have lower specific resistivity than sheet or laminated material but vary more widely with temperature. Impregnation or varnish treatment actually lowers insulation resistivity, when the materials are compared while clean and dry.

When exposed to humidity, treated materials generally maintain higher insulation resistance values than the same materials untreated. The kind of treatment is a factor in insulation resistance, both dry and under high humidity. Temperature is an extremely important factor, though one not generally understood, so that its effect can be corrected to a common base for the purpose of comparison.

The resistance of insulation follows the same laws as all other resistance except as to temperature effect. For a uniform mass of insulation, the insulation resistance will vary directly as the thickness and inversely as the contact area and cross section of the path.

To observe the effect of the various factors in insulation resistance, a number of studies were recently made on motor fields and armatures. Curves were developed to show-

1. The effect of temperature and insulation resistance of a standard railway motor armature. Tests began at a cold resistance of less than 50 megohms, then the armature was vacuum dried three times, a set of data taken after each

2. Data was taken on an industrial type motor which had been in constant use on a test floor since 1922. It was known to be clean and dry. So the different temperature effect on armature (mica ground insulation) and fields (treated-cloth ground insulation) was noted.

The effect of treatment and amount of mica wrapper ground insulation was next determined with long exposure to high humidity.

The effect of moisture absorption of a standard railway motor stator, when exposed to high humidity, and its recovery of insulation resistance, when returned to 40 per cent humidity, furnished further

From these tests and many others a simple formula was established for correcting insulation resistance for temperature effect and predicting values at another temperature. This formula is

 $R = r C^n$ — where $n = Exponent \frac{T - t}{10}$

R = Insulation resistance at higher tem-

r = Insulation resistance at lower tem-perature to Centigrade

T = Higher temperature—Centigrade t = Lower temperature—Centigrade

C = Constant

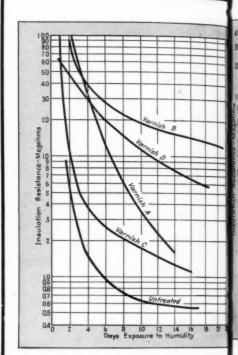
This depends somewhat on the particular combination of insulation on a specific machine. But as a general rule the following values are approximately correct-

Class A Insulation-.44

Class B Insulation - (with mica ground insulation) .63

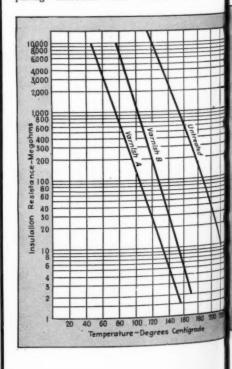
In order to segregate the factors affecting insulation resistance insofar as possible, and to evaluate each quantitatively, a special study was made with coils rather than complete machines. Three types of insulation-as-

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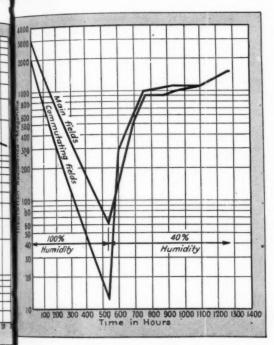


GLASS AND HUMIDITY—A comparison between test coils using glass tape, and exposed to 98 percent humidity.

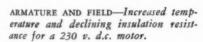
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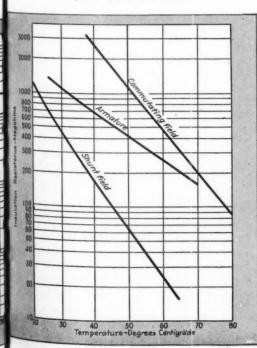


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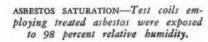


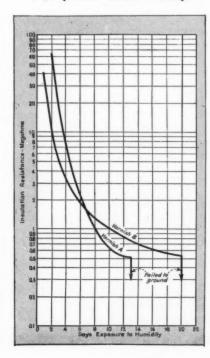
RECOVERY TEST—How mica wrapped coils behaved and recovered from bumidity exposure.

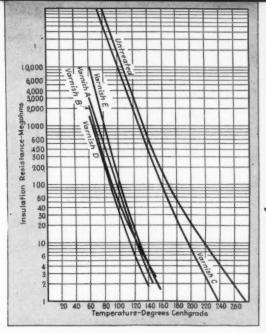




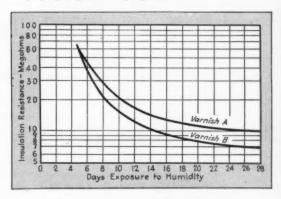
TRIPLE DRYING—How temperature affected a standard 60 hp. railway motor armature following three drying stages.





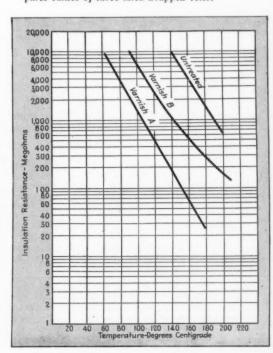


GLASS INSULATION—An untreated test coil was compared with five others employing different impregnations.



MICA EXPOSURE—Two grades of varnish used on mica-wrapped test coils and exposed to 98 percent humidity.

MICA TEST—This temperature test compares values of three mica-wrapped coils.



The Record of NISA

A frank statement by the President of the National Industrial Service Association which meets in Buffalo—May 19-21.

S WE approach the Annual Convention of our NISA group, it is natural for members and other men to turn the appraising eye our way. And so I gladly raise the question—What good is NISA doing? I find I can answer it with a great deal of pride and assurance.

But before we start, let's have one basic consideration clear. The greatest good that comes out of any association is its effect on the minds of the men who belong to it. This is fundamental. Concrete services are important-because they bring practical benefits. But the principal reason men join such associations is that they may know each other better and share in each others knowledge and judgment. Therefore, the chief advantage of participation in such industry activities are psychological. And any man who lets himself forget that fact has already begun to lose the very essence of his opportunity in that

So when men ask me what the National Industrial Service Association does for its members, I say—"That's only half of it—the smaller half. The important thing is what they do for themselves." And yet we have a list of services that have developed over the past few years into what may be made a very worthwhile asset to a motor service shop. These include—

- 1. A Central Winding Data Exchange. Rewinding data cards are filled out by members on specific jobs and sent to our central bureau where they are on file available to all.
- 2. A Rebuilt Equipment Exchange. This gives each member a chance to list his stock-on-hand of rebuilt motors for a very nominal charge. Members buy much of this equipment from each other.
- 3. A Certified Repairs Plan. It sets up standards of technical ability, shop equipment and accounting practice—embracing proven shop layouts that insure efficient and economical production. A number of shops are already operating under this plan.



By C. A. Sievert

President, Sievert Electric Company, Chicago President, National Industrial Service Assn.

- **4.** Technical Research. A technical committee studies operations by machine, tool or hand and recommends new machines and methods for bettering shop practice.
- 5. Survey of Motor Shops. This is a study made for the United States Government to provide data for national defense planning. It classifies shop equipment and skilled men available. Data was requested from all shops whether NISA members or not. Returns were disappointing because they showed how many shops still operate as individual units without a sense of their industry or national significance and responsibilities. Our statistics were sufficient to work out a useful report, however.
- **6.** An Authorised Service Plan. A program now under development in cooperation with manufacturers of equipment. The purpose is to set up an authorized service under which NISA members can be certified for a definite high standard of service to specified equipment.
- 7. Scrutiny of Legislation. A competent committee studies state and national legislation affecting motor shop activities and reports to the membership. It also advises members on problems of taxation and insurance.
- **8.** Cost Data Analysis. Another committee has established a regular analysis of cost factors in the motor shop business. This includes primary cost data on every type of electrical equipment and every item of overhead expense, in its relation to the general business. A unified cost and bookkeeping system is being developed.

I could continue this listing still

further but I will not. This in itself is a substantial program. And how far have these services gone? Some farther than others, all in accordance with the responsiveness of the membership. But together they constitute a valuable resource of information, counsel and experience now available. It is a good record for the few years that NISA has been at work.

This work I take to be highly important to all motor shops. Nay it is vital, if we are to play the part we must in serving American industry in the present National Defense Emergency. For in this service we cannot act as isolated independent individuals. We must marshall and organize our resources to give them the very maximum strength and capacity in this hour of urgent need.

Contacts Important

And beyond all this, comes what I have called the most important value of all—the advantages that grow out of the men you meet and grow to know and trust, the broader experience they bring you, the new confidence which the knowledge they share with you contributes to your own judgment. And this, of course, is the reward for your activities in local chapter meetings, and your attendance at our conventions. Chapters are already operating in Chicago, Cincinnati, New Orleans, Wisconsin and Texas. More are coming.

Our convention this month in Buffalo will be rich in ideas. The program will be full of them. The men present will talk motor shop experience in meetings, corridors and hotel rooms and all a member hears and learns is his to keep. It is a great privilege to be there—a valuable opportunity. For out of these contacts many of us have discovered faults in our own methods and policies, some so serious that they were actually sopping our profits away unseen.

And for my part, may I add, that I have never met such fine men as we have in this NISA of ours. It has brought together the enemies of yesterday and made them friends. It has taught us that each one of us is just trying to make an honest living. It has showed us that we can make a better, happier living by peaceful cooperation than by



GENERAL LIGHTING of 25 foot-candle intensity in the large office areas is provided by rows of closely suspended four-lamp semi-indirect fluorescent units.

ALL FLUORESCENT Office Lighting

This New Jersey oil company provides uniform high intensity lighting throughout its new office building by using fluorescent units in all departments.

HEY realized that good lighting is an important factor contributing to increased employee efficiency. So the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey insisted on high intensity illumination in its new office building at Elizabeth, N. J.

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The building is of a two story and basement type, approximately 173-ft. by 128-ft., with a 70-ft. by 26-ft. open court in the center. Artificial illumi-

nation is provided by fluorescent units throughout, from basement to top floor.

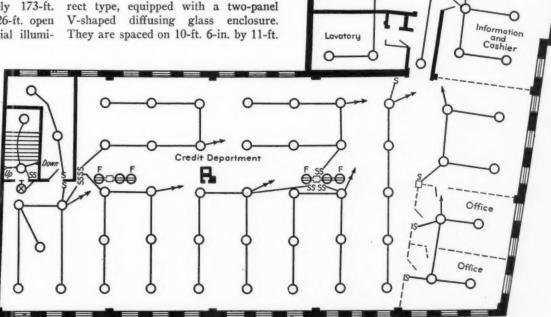
General lighting of 25 foot-candle intensity is provided in the general office and private office areas by 239 four-lamp and 26 two-lamp fluorescent units using 40-watt white lamps. These units are of the commercial semi-indirect type, equipped with a two-panel V-shaped diffusing glass enclosure. They are spaced on 10-ft. 6-in. by 11-ft.

centers and mounted on 6-inch double stems on an 11-ft. ceiling. Where the units are in private offices the spacing varies slightly to conform to office size.

The basement area is illuminated by 67 two-lamp industrial fluorescent units using the 40-watt white lamps. The one exception to this general basement lighting is the recreation room. Here, 10 rows of concealed fluorescent open troughing, mounted flush in an 8-ft. 6-in. hung ceiling, provides 38 footcandles of evenly distributed light. Each section of trough, which is mounted on 8-ft. centers, contains two 40-watt white lamps end to end.

The lighting distribution system is of the three-phase, four-wire, 120/208 volt type, with one 52 circuit distribution panel serving each floor. Circuit breaker branches feed each group of three units, with a maximum of 600 watts per circuit. Individual switches provide local control of each group of three units. Each row of fixtures is connected to alternate phases of the distribution system to minimize stroboscopic effect.

The fixtures installed are decorative as well as practical and the resulting lighting is most satisfactory, according to the building management. E. J. White Company of Newark, N. J., was the electrical contractor on the job.



CIRCUIT DIAGRAM showing fixture locations and circuit and switch consrol for a portion of the general office area. All circuits go to a single distribution hanel for the entire floor.



LARGE CAPACITY units are the secret of effective installations. H. G. Street of the Memphis Electric Co. in Memphis, Tenn. says, "average sale runs \$150".

NEW HOMES, large and small offer prospect for comfort cooling. Big market is in old homes. Installation is easy. Profits are good.



Attic Cooling

TTIC fans, large air circulators for house cooling, are sometimes called the "poor man's air-conditioning". A compromise with full conditioning, attic ventilation equipment fits the average pocketbook and provides summer comfort in the ordinary uninsulated home at a low price.

First class equipment costs the home owners from \$125 to \$175 installed. Power consumption is moderate, about \$10 a year. And the summer comfort provided by a well-installed and adequately sized unit is large for this amount.

Right now electrical contractors and dealers are laying plans for the biggest year of attic fan sales in history, because a few years of sales experience in the South and Middlewest show figures that double each year. Market saturation is still insignificant. Almost every owned home of any size is a potential installation. And it is usually a one price job.

The principal distinction between house cooling fans and ordinary ventilators is in the volume of air handled. The New Orleans Public Service Company recommends for "comfort cooling" a fan of sufficient capacity to move a quantity of air equal to or greater than the entire volume of the house every minute. Exhausted from the attic, this quantity of air will produce a perceptible breeze through windows left open in living room or bedrooms.

at LOW COST

Attic fan dealers are setting sights high for the 1941 season. For attic fan summer comfort fits the average pocketbook. Yet it takes skilled installation. Here is a natural for sales minded electrical contractors.

By W. T. Stuart

The average attic fan installation consists of a large slow speed fan direct connected or belted to an electric motor. The fan is from 24 to 60 inches in diameter, usually mounted behind louvers in the attic. It draws air up through the house and exhausts out-of-doors.

A preferred type of installation uses a fan suction box in the floor of the attic. The fan exhausts into the attic space, drawing air from the floor below through a ceiling grill. An automatic door is provided on the grill, which blocks the air circulation and cuts off the fan automatically in case of fire.

Open louvers in the attic wall or screened openings under the eaves provide an outlet for the attic air. Often where space is limited two or more fans can be installed. One out of every five attic ventilation systems installed in New Orleans in the last three years have been two fan jobs.

The ceiling opening below the fan is an important factor in the operation of the system. It must be big enough to permit a free flow of air to the fans. If the ceiling and attic openings are too small, the fan will move much less air and the fan motor, laboring under a restricted air flow, will use more power. So the grill should not offer too much resistance to the flow of air. About 25 per cent restriction of the minimum opening is considered acceptable. The grill may be of wood or metal.

Fan motors may be \$\frac{1}{6}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ hp. They are usually wired with a separate circuit of No. 12 wire, switched on each floor, sometimes with a pilot indicator.

Electrical contractors who specialize

in the field, like David Craton of New Orleans or H. G. Street of Memphis, rate attic fan installations tops as a business builder for slack mid-summer months. In the South where summer temperatures come early and high, customers start signing on the dotted line in May, they say. The bulk of the year's volume is sold between the first of May and the last of August. Business carries on, however, well into September. This has proved a good time to sign up time-pay prospects for spring installation.

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Besides the permanently installed equipment in owned homes, air circulators for rented homes and apartments have been a profitable filler. The portable units are plug-in jobs of large size for installation in a window. And from the merchandising point of view, they may eventually out-strip the permanent installations in sales volume.

In New Orleans, comfort cooling promotion was started as far back as 1932 by the utility. It was featured in newspaper advertising, direct mail pieces and installation in an electrical home. But the important figures start from a couple of years later. In the 1934 summer, 54 installations were made in the city and 72 during the summer of 1935. After the first few sales, the utility company discontinued selling the equipment and confined its efforts to promoting and developing business for the dealers. All leads developed by the utility sales representatives were turned over to them. During the year 1936 some 187 installations were made and 227 in 1937.

In 1938, an elaborate coordinated dealer-utility program was organized and 599 installations were made during that year. Further coordinated programs were run during the following year, 1939, running up a total of 1,578 of these cooling systems.

The last year's figures for 1939,

SCHEDULE OF ATTIC FAN SIZES WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR CEILING GRILLE AND ATTIC OPENINGS

SIZE OF HOUSE IN CU. FT. FAN CAPACITY RE- QUIRED CU. FT./MIN.	APPROXIMATE FAN WHEEL DIAMETERS	MOTOR SIZE IL. P.	CEILING GRILLE Total \$q. Ft. Opening in Ceiling Lattice Wood or Metal	ATTIC OPENINGS Total Sq. Ft. Opening in Attic		
				Hardware Cloth	Louvree	Screen
5,000 to 6,000	24" to 30"	1/6-1/4	12	10	14	17
7,000 to 8,000	30" to 36"	V4-Va	15	13	19	23
9,000 to 11,000	36" to 42"	1/4-1/2	21	18	26	31
12,000 to 14,000	42" to 45"	1/2-1/2	27	22	33	40
15,000 to 17,000	45" to 50"	⅓¾	32	27	41	49
18,000 to 20,000	50" to 56"	1/2-3/4	38	32	48	57
21,000 to 23,000	56" to 60"	3/4-1	44	37	\$5	66

FAN SIZES are figured by cubic contents of the house. Ceiling grills and openings must be big enough to permit free air flow.

window box type of installation. Out of these 1,578 units, 921 were of the attic ventilating type and 657 of the window box type.

In the unusually cool summer of 1940, the total attic and window fan sales were 1,940. With 17 cooperative dealers, the total figures for 1941 will probably exceed 4,000 in a potential market of approximately 30,000 owned homes and 70,000 renter prospects in New Orleans.

This is the record of progress in one city. Statistics drawn for the whole country tabulated by Electrical Mer-. chandising show that attic fan sales increased from 8,522 units in 1937 to a conservatively estimated 20,000 in 1940. Including wiring and installation, this latter figure represents a retail volume of nearly \$3,000,000.

Other unofficial estimates for 1940 show sales in Houston in excess of 3,000, in Memphis over 1,500. While these may appear disproportionate in view of the national total, sale of attic fans has been distinctly spotty with cities of the South and Southwest doing the biggest job.

In Memphis, electrical contractor

began to show the development of the H. G. Street of the Memphis Electric Co. reports sales volume, averaging 50 fans in 1938 and 1939, dropped off in 1940 due to severe competition from tin shops, ventilating contractors and hardware stores. However, a competitive line will be carried this year to meet these conditions. Street predicts that 1941 sales will easily exceed 1939 business volume. Installations average \$150 installed, with big units very popular.

To this must be added the extra work that the customer orders while the fan is going in. Extra outlets, new circuits, wiring devices, circuit breakers and fixtures are some of the plus business.

In New Orleans, electrical contractor David L. Craton, reports a gross volume of \$4,500 in attic fan work during 1940. He estimates a \$10,000 volume this year.

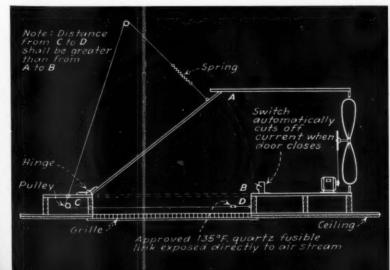
A 48-in. fan installation sells for about \$150. It can be installed at a cost of \$80 to \$85 with an additional \$20 for wiring. This leaves a 331 per cent margin for overhead and profit.

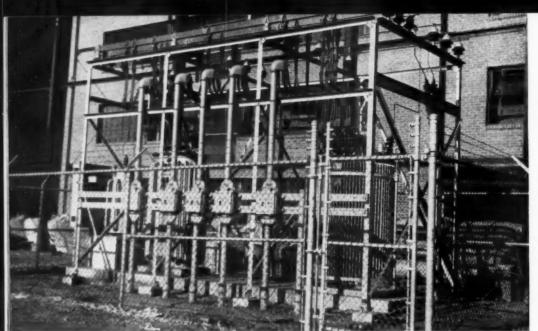
In this work, Craton tries to sell 25 to 30 per cent extra air capacity over the minimum for the job. This invariably gives you a customer who is more than just satisfied. "They come to see you afterwards, just to thank you for selling them the additional capacity for extreme weather," he says.

Window fans are largely a merchandising job, but they do bring in extra outlet work. A 30-in. window fan with a capacity of approximately 6,000 cu. ft. of air per min. costs around \$30 and retails for about \$49. And a dealer well established in the attic ventilation business has an inside track on this.

Utility companies are finding attic fans a splendid load builder. Contractors are finding them a profitable specialty. Also this year more people have money to spend. So attic fans offer contractors a sales opportunity that may easily emulate the automatic heating business.

FIRE RULES require a method of cutting off fan and air stream. Here a fusible link drops a door and trips the fan switch when the air stream reaches 135 deg.





A VERTICAL
DISTRIBUTION

This distribution system is designed to provide unit control to duplicate tandem type production lines in a cork plant. It eliminates the conventional main switchboard and has possibilities in other industries.

By J. M. Alexander

Hatzel & Buehler, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware

CUSTOM-BUILT power distribution system was recently installed in the new six story addition to the plant of the Corktex Products Co. This is a subsidiary of the Bond Manufacturing Co. of Wilmington, Delaware.

The building houses crushing and mixing mills, which comprise a straight-line vertical process. Raw cork enters hoppers on the top floor and emerges as finely ground, clean particles on the ground floor. The ground cork is then mixed with a binder to form cylindrical, tubular and sheet cork.

Three identical production units are located side by side and arranged so that one unit may be shut down while the others carry on production. Naturally, the electrical system had to be designed to provide this flexibility in production control. This idea was carried out right to the transformer mat, to prevent all possibility of a feeder outage disrupting all production.

Originally, horizontal distribution

was considered—that is, the type where one panel on each floor serves all motors on that particular floor. However, Hatzel & Buehler, electrical contractors on the job, discarded this conventional method and designed a vertical distribution system to provide the owners with the production flexibility and control desired.

The system begins at the 11.4 kv. outdoor substation adjacent to the building. Here, two 333 kva., 11.4 kv/220 volt single-phase transformers, con-

OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION begins at the secondary of this 11.4 kv. substation. Underground feeders are protected by weatherproof fused disconnects. Lighting transformer and panel are at extreme left.

nected open delta, supply 220-volt, three-phase service. A third transformer can be added for future demands. Five power circuits, each consisting of three 500,000 CM cables protected by a weatherproof Colt-Noark fused disconnect at the transformers, go underground direct to five distribution panels in the building. The conventional main distribution panel or switchboard with the necessary mounting space is thus eliminated.

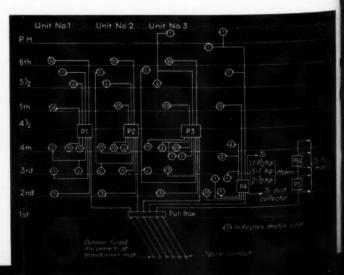
Three of these panels, serving the three production units, are located on the fourth floor nearest the largest motors. The other two panels are on the second floor and serve miscellaneous motors not directly connected with the production units; also spare circuits.

Branch circuits emanate from each panel and go to all floors, feeding motors serving that particular unit. The control circuits of all motors of a single unit are electrically interlocked, so mechanical or electrical trouble on any one motor will stop the rest and thus prevent material jams and spoilage and equipment damage. Once stopped, these motors can be started again only by manual operation at the motor site.

The lighting system is supplied with current through one 50 kva., single-phase, 11.4 kv/110/220 volt transformer at the outdoor substation. Circuit breakers, mounted in a weatherproof cabinet adjacent to this transformer, protect the underground feeders which enter the building.

Although designed specifically for this particular production process, this method of power distribution may have possible applications to other industries employing the vertical straight-line production system. The contractor and plant man should study it for its merits. It may prove to be a good selling point, for an engineered job is always the better job.

ONE LINE DIAGRAM showing the vertical distribution from transformers to individual motors. Manual and interlocked control circuits are eliminated to simplify diagram.





Inner Strength

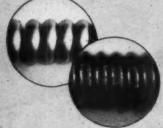


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Formex wire is insulated with a vinylacetal-type plastic developed by G-E engineers after 10 years of research. Tests of resistance to abrasion show a 3-to-1 superiority of Formex wire over high-grade enameled wire. Formex wire in your motors gives added assurance of dependable, continuous operation.





ELONGATION

Compare the two pictures above. The top photo shows Formex wire stretched 20 per cent and wound on its own diameter. The lower picture shows enameled wire stretched 10 per cent and wound on twice its diameter.

HEAT SHOCK

The top sample (below) shows what happens to good enameled wire when it is wound in a helix and heated to 150 C. Formex wire (shown at bottom) is unaffected by this heat shock. That is why it does not become brittle and crack away even after years of strenuous service.



Extra Protection

against physical damage

Strong, one-piece, castiron frame and end shields, with upper portion completely enclosed, protect vital motor parts from external blows, flying chips, settling dust, dripping liquids.

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MUMMY INSULATION" HERE With Formex Wire, G-E engineers were able to "take off the wraps" on random-wound motors. Away went organic "mummy" coverings and heat-enclosing compounds. Having Formex wire, G-E engineers built a stronger, tougher motor insulation.

Estra Protection

against electrical breakdown

When you're looking for a longer-lasting motorone that won't wilt and weaken after years of strenuous service, or fail you in an emergency-you want the Tri-Clad motor with its inner strength.

When G-E engineers designed the Tri-Clad motor, they saw that the toughness of Formex wire insulation opened up new opportunities for strengthening the entire coil assembly from the inside out. They utilized new G-E synthetic-resin bonding varnishes to give rigidity and extra resistance. They fortified the slot-cells. They welded internal connections.

Finally, they selected for application on end turns a coating of Glyptal No. 1201 Red as an additional armor against the many adverse operating conditions commonly found in industrial service.

Thus, in the Tri-Clad motor you get a more compact winding one that dissipates heat quickly and keeps the motor young.

With double-end, "controlled-velocity" ventilation and advanced electrical design throughout, the Tri-Clad motor's tougher coil windings mean extra years of service. Next time you order induction motors make sure they are Tri-Clad motors. General Electric, Schenectady, N. Y.

Integral-hp sizes up to 20 hp (at 3600 rpm), open or splashproof, are now available—also capacitormotors in sizes up to 5 hp.

Write for our new Tri-Clad motor bulletin, GEA-3580

against operating wear and tear

Sleeve bearings of new design have longer life, greater capacity, improved lubrication features. One-piece cast-aluminum rotor winding, with fans cast integrally, is practically indestructible. Sealed ball bearings retain lubrication, exclude dirt.

GENERAL



ELECTRIC



Earl Whitehorne, Editor

That Census of Factory Needs

Last month, our opening editorial page said electrical men are not doing all they should toward winning this war. It suggested that a census of production possibilities be made in each city to uncover places where more electrical equipment would increase capacity, speed production, improve working conditions and cut costs. It urged that electrical men get going on such a check-up, particularly contractors and power company men, working maybe in groups of three, each group calling on so many factories. They would report their findings to the management and to the Government.

Many letters have come in discussing this recommendation. They vary widely in opinion.

- Some felt that electrical men are doing all they can. And indeed many are hard at it in Washington and at home.
- 2. Some felt we were too critical in saying that too many electrical men are thinking only of taking care of their own business, a heavy burden in itself in these times and plenty to do if power is provided for all industry and factories are running full tilt and all orders are filled.
- 3. Some said that a similar check-up had already been made in their town.

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- Some said it had not been done, but they would get busy at once and get it done.

Great interest in the subject was evidenced by many two and three page letters. It was conceded that electrical contractors and power company men can best do the job, with help from other experts available. And most agreed that such a check-up would uncover enough new business and load to pay well for the time and effort.

If this editorial results in the launching of but a single local check-up of things that can be done to increase

production in American factories, we are well paid. And we are convinced that electrical men can make a fine patriotic contribution in this way. It is not enough for contractors to merely respond to all calls for wiring. We must help win this war—each one of us—in any way we can.

These Strikes

Contractors and wiremen of the electrical construction industry should both be grateful and proud that theirs has been practically a strikeless industry. For twenty years or more, employers and employees in this field have worked in comparative peace, thanks to the good influence of the Council for Industrial Relations in providing a plan for arbitration.

The recent flare up at Wright Field, was a pointed reminder of the value of self-control. Here A.F.L. electricians quit because some C.I.O. wiremen came on the job. It was a shock to electrical contractors to read about it.

It was a shock to all good citizens. We readily agree that wiremen have a right to organize for their own welfare. But when they scout the public welfare, nay even defy our common government in its effort to prepare for National Defense, because a few other union workers carry what the majority consider the wrong card, it calls for public indignation and the scorn of all union men who are good Americans.

Surely union officials who cannot work out their inter-union affairs with moderation and restraint, lack the wisdom, responsibility and patriotism that would entitle them to be entrusted with leadership. The average wireman is as good an American, with as much common sense as the average contractor for whom he works. He should guard his right to self-government and sound policy in his union.

Shop Responsibility

The Army and Navy Munition Board has issued a list of selected occupations, important to national defense. Men at this work are to be disturbed as little as possible by the draft. Among these are electrical repairmen, motor repair men, armature winders. This is as it should be.

When NISA meets this month in Buffalo, the responsibilities of the motor shop in our National Defense Program will be the chief theme in meeting rooms and corridors. And it all gets down to the practical problem of service to industry. How to take the burden of emergency off the overloaded shoulders of the factory maintenance staff is the important issue. Shops must plan and cooperate to broaden and strengthen their support to the electrical machinery that is turning out munitions to win the war.

Wholesale or Retail

At the recent Minnesota meeting at Albert Lea the electrical wholesaler was under attack. Every time a contractor gets a fluorescent job, 'twas said, there are six jobbers trying to under-sell him.

It looks as though the "Wholesale Only" idea is slowly dying in some areas, and manufacturers are going to have to make a decision. Are their distributors to operate at wholesale or retail or both?

But it is not an ethical question. It is a very practical problem. And if the electrical manufacturer refuses to face the test, distribution in the industry will go down into worse chaos until self-preservation compels reform. And everybody will suffer.

Fire Clean-up

When fire damages basement feeders, the clean-up job often involves removing burned wire and conduit together. Usually it is a tough hacksaw job. But a Chicago contractor recently decided to tackle one such mess with a cutting torch—with ex-

cellent results. The fire damaged wiring was stripped out in a fraction of the time usually required.

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Flame or arc cutting and welding are techniques that take some specialized skill. But in the hands of good mechanics they are valuable tools for electrical construction. They deserve wider use in the industry.

Substitute Materials

National defense production showing up annoying shortages of some materials. Many, perhaps most, of these spot shortages will be smoothed out as the gears of defense production begin to mesh.

Meanwhile it is up to electrical contractors and plant engineers to keep in close touch with new developments and to be ready with alternative approved methods and materials. There is already a dangerous tendency to fill the gaps with temporary wiring which under today's pressure is likely to become perma-

Program Topics

Why do contractors state conventions keep repeating the old mistake of filling their programs with papers on national problems. Members are local business men. They need help on local problems, policies, experience.

The trouble is that when you elect a man to office, he thinks he must broaden his interest. He soon bogs down in big problems that nobody present can do anything about.

So too many associations flounder around and render less service to the membership than they easily can if the men in charge stick to home town topics. Estimating, cost of doing business, how to get on with labor, how to sell larger jobs-these are the vital factors for the program committee to work on.

Your Help Needed Here

Wire and cable manufacturers are faced with an acute shortage of shipping reels, spools and cases. It is already slowing up deliveries of shipment to Defense Projects. It is wasting time, materials and labor on making new reels and cases, just because customers are neglecting to return these containers as they normally would.

This is all understandable. Everybody is extra busy and reels are being stacked in the yard. You just don't bother with them. But multiply this neglect by 10,000 other cases and see what you get.

Give orders today! Ship all returnable empty reels, spools and cases to the manufacturer at once. Your help is needed here.

_Back Talk -

Catalogs Are Tough

To the Editor—"Bids on electrical wiring jobs vary mostly from lack of knowledge of costs. This lack comes about mostly through the difficulty of maintaining simple and easily handled cost records. The manufacturers' bulletins and price sheets are a maze of confusing description and figures and are useless to the contractor trying to price his job sheet. I wonder if we can make a plea to have the manufacturers simplify their bulletins—place a good sized legible page number in the upper right hand corner, the index in front of the booklet, larger, more legible type; light colored paper; have all matter start at the left hand margin so the eye won't get so tired eliminating all the useless matter now used; with proper illustrations and a date on the cover. I wonder if anyone has ever noticed the time wasted trying to pick out the rating and price in the average device in the present catalogs?

Let's have some more discussion on this."

E. M. Raetz

E. M. Raetz Rochester Electric Co. Rochester, Minnesota

Your comments are well taken, Mr. Raetz. But it is a tough problem. Manufacturers want their literature distinctive. Of course, we believe in standardized data and so we publish annually the "Electrical Buyers Reference." This comes nearest to a dated, uniform, comparable catalog now available. You suggest a standard page arrangement on which the contractor could write in his costs. But we fear there is no escape from the burden of keeping your own cost records.

Sound Endorsement

To the Editor—"We agree with you that the electrical contractor is not the one responsible for the present situation in the field of fluorescent lighting. Our own experience has been and is that the electrical contractor is helpful in selling installations properly engineered and properly installed. Certainly the electrical contractor is not to blame for the plug-in devices which are being peddled from door to door by high pressure salesmen.

"Local electric leagues and electric associations, the Illuminating Engineering Society and other similar organizations should be urged to carry on an educational campaign along the theme outlined in your editorial."

R. W. Staud

R. W. Staud Benjamin Electric Mfg. Co. Des Plaines, Ill.

Thanks, Mr. Staud. We believe that this kind of united action will gradually develop and put an end to the present growing pains in this new lighting business.

It Comes So Fast

To the Editor—"I like your article, 'We Will Not Take the Blame', very much indeed. It's very much to the point. There are over 150 manufacturers of fluorescent equipment who are doing more than just a local job. This means that most of them are small manufacturers relatively. They are out to sell as much as they can, as quickly as they can—which is perfectly natural.

"The solution of the problem of selling better light is a local one, it seems to me, where local cooperative activity, headed up by the utility, solves these problems for the benefit of all. Certainly, the contractor is not to blame. Neither, to my way of thinking, is any one factor, in the sales and distribution channel. It's just that fluorescent lighting has come so fast and business has been so easy to get that the industry has not caught up cooperatively as they have in most other products."

H. Freeman Barnes

H. Freeman Barnes General Electric Co. Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio

It is indeed a local job and as such needs power company leadership and support. And the contractors should be working close with the power men to sell the Better Light idea to the local merchants, who are too apt to buy something new for its novelty value alone.

A Good Start

To the Editor—"The new era of illumination is being seriously impeded by both contractors and salesmen. Too much emphasis is put upon the possibility of saving current cost and buying the cheapest fluorescent unit on the market. This results in mediocre or bad illumination.
"Unless the salesman, contractor and buyer recognize the opportunity of securing a high level of light, the new lighting will cause many disappointments.

We have tried to start in the right direction by joining the Fleur-O-Lier Manufacturers. This organization believes in high standards of construction, efficiency and seneral application of lighting fixtures. The buying public should favor the Fleur-O-Lier program.

R. R. Wiley

R. R. Wiley R. & W. Wiley, Inc. Buffalo, New York

The Fleur-O-Lier group is to be congrat-ulated on its cooperative program. It is helping to bring stability and order into this market.

Promote Harmony

To the Editor—"We read Electrical Contracting with interest and feel that it helps keep us abreast of contractors' problems. It would seem that we can do a better job of service, if the two groups have a mutual feeling of trust and understanding.

"But you have a continued attitude of stirring up a feeling of distrust among the contractors. It seems an issue of your magazine is not complete until you have somewhere taken a crack at the utility industry. Editorials of the type "Another Dodo" in February is a mild example.

"I am sure that if you tried you could find examples of utilities trying to work with the contractors in their cities. Why not give a little publicity to this sort of thing to balance the impression of distrust that you carry month after month?"

Frank Sanford

The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.

Electric Co. Cincinnati, Ohio

We are not trying to stir up bad feeling, Mr. Sanford. But we do point out conditions that are wrong and urge the contractor to do something about them. If this involves criticism of the power company, manufacturer, wholesaler or the contractor himself—what of it? We discuss the situation just the same.

We know that many power companies work closely with the contractors. That is quite natural—and vice-versa. But that does not alter the fact that small diameter wire is languishing for lack of power company action.



FISH TAPE HOLDER

A simple holder for steel fish tapes was constructed from a short piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. electrical metallic tubing, curved to conform with the size of coil desired. The tape is coiled through this piece of tubing which, in addition to keeping the tape in an orderly coil, serves as



NO KINKS or troublesome unwinding and twisting of this fish tape which is securely wound in a convenient holder made of thinwall metallic tubing.

a convenient handle to carry and hold the tape while in use. The tape may be coiled and uncoiled with ease. Unwinding and kinking of the tape is entirely eliminated.

SWITCHBOARD RISER TROUGHS

The use of riser troughs for load-side connections to branch circuit conductors on the back of a switchboard, is a typical example of the engineering done by the J. F. Buchanan Electric Co., electrical contractors of Philadelphia, Pa.

The troughs illustrated here were used on the back of a remodeled switchboard in a large Philadelphia office building. They extend from the top of



VERTICAL TROUGHS of ebony-asbestos conceal the branch circuit conductor connections to the back of the circuit breakers on this switchboard. Arrows show bus extensions to the breakers.

the board to the wiring trench running along the entire length of the bottom of the board. These troughs are 9 inches deep and 6 inches wide and are made of ½-inch ebony-asbestos, on three sides. The fourth side is the 6-inch channel iron switchboard upright. The ebony-asbestos sides are built as removable sections,

The branch circuit conductors in the riser troughs are connected by solder-less connectors to the copper bus extensions to the load side of the circuit-breakers on the board. Thus, the back of the board is kept exceptionally clear with only the interconnecting bus to the line side of the breakers and the short load side bus extensions exposed.

JOB PLAN PROTECTION

Even with extraordinary care, blue prints take a severe beating on the job. And torn, obscure or faded prints may cause expensive omissions. The Hill-Sieders Electric Company of Houston, Tex. has a routine method of preparing job prints so they can take it.



PERMANENT JOB plans survive weather and rough handling protected by wall board and shellac.

Prints of the construction plan and the electrical layout are pasted on a sheet of wall board and then heavily shellacked. Corners which might curl up are trimmed. Large prints are prepared with a light wooden frame around the board.

Where changes occur, the revised layout is cut out and pasted over the original.

The plan shown in the accompanying photo is in perfect condition, the colored pencil notes still clear after many manhours of rough job use in all kinds of weather.

After the job is finished, the plans are returned to the shop for a permanent job record.

STANDARD HOUSE UNITS

Standardization of service entrance equipment made possible speed of installation and economy for the 1,102 units in the Wyvernwood rental development in Los Angeles, the largest community of rental homes in a single park in the country. Newberry Electric Corp., electrical contractors, designed a standard equipment for each home unit.

These units are installed in pairs at



DOUBLE UNIT for service to two family dwellings designed by Los Angeles contractor.

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the rear of a double dwelling in an inset panel accessible from the outside of the building. Since utility requirements call for a separate meter on water heating, a double meter trough and a multibreaker assembly was made up into each unit. Under the Code provisions for six subdivisions of load, the circuit breaker assembly consisted of a 50-amp. breaker for range, 25-amp. breaker for water heater, a 20-amp. breaker for lighting circuits and a 20amp. spare. Installed in a shallow compartment, this compact arrangement saves space, provides an accessible location for metering and makes a neat installation. Usually the cabinets are combined with a telephone cabinet just below that for the service equipment.

Each dwelling unit is equipped with an electric water heater, a 1½-kw. bathroom heater and an electric refrigerator. An outlet is installed for the electric range. All convenience outlet circuits are wired with No. 12, the individual apartments having 27 outlets for a three-room dwelling. Most of the circuit wiring is in ¾-in. flexible conduit.

LOW BUILDING ENTRANCE

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Where roof lines on single story buildings are almost within reach of the ground, service wires must terminate higher than the roof. The Wright Bros. Electric Co. of San Antonio, Tex. used a neat metal bracket assembly for this purpose on the Alazan Court housing project in San Antonio.

An L shaped bracket was made using 3-inch channel iron. The corner was



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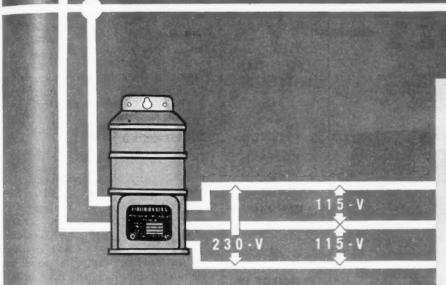
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CPEED is necessary in present wiring installations and for large building and manufacturing plants, the old practice of running duplicate power and lighting circuits has been eliminated.

Today only the higher voltage power circuits are installed and power circuit transformers are located at convenient points to supply the lower voltages required for lights, fans, electric tools, etc.

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reinforced with metal triangles welded in place. The bracket is supported on preset anchors under the eaves and extends three feet above the roof line.

A conventional house bracket is bolted to the top. Service conductors in conduit extend up the bracket terminating in a conventional service head.

DISTRIBUTION PANEL IN HAZARDOUS AREA

The lighting distribution center for one of the buildings of an oil cracking plant is located on the outer wall of the instrument and control room just along side of the door. It is also convenient to an outer stairway which leads to the top of the building where the power and lighting transformers and main switches are located.

Here, where the explosive component of the atmosphere is apt to be less con-



NO DANGER of electrical spark ignited fires in this oil cracking plant. Lighting distribution equipment and control is mounted outdoors in a vaporproof enclosure.

centrated, the M. W. Kellogg Company, oil refinery contractors and engineers of New York City, mounted vapor-proof lighting distribution equipment. This equipment consists of an incoming line breaker and watthour meter mounted in a vapor-proof enclosure with a glass window for reading the meter. Two 16 circuit vapor-proof circuit breaker lighting distribution panels mounted end-to-end control the lighting circuits in the building.

To localize any arcing which may occur, sealing fittings are inserted in the conduit lines wherever they enter or leave the circuit breaker enclosures.

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LIGHTING A TAILOR'S SHOP

I. B. Simpson, Inc., small Chicago merchant tailor, has used daylight fluorescent lamps for the display of his colored fabrics. There are fifteen 30-watt lamps in Solar Alzak trough reflectors. These provide between 25 and 100 footcandles on the fabric display. The general lighting is provided by eleven 300-watt Solar units mounted 9 feet above the floor and spaced 11 feet apart.



TAILORED LIGHTING for tailored clothes, with daylight fluorescent lamps doing a 25-100 foot-candle job in the fabric display cases of this Chicago tailor shop.



COLOR PHOTOS of fluorescent lighting installations are shown with this tiny flashlight viewer. Wm. Grace, Jr. demonstrates.

LIGHTING SALES HELPS

Tackling the problem of selling fluorescent lighting equipment Wm. Grace Jr. of the Grace Engineering Co. of Dallas, Tex., found that relatively unfamiliar equipment like fluorescent fixtures require something to bridge the gap between catalog presentation and actual trial installations.

Two sales helps were worked out that have proved very effective. Colored



SAMPLE KIT of scale models of several fluorescent units paves the way for trial installations.

photos of installations on miniature slide transparencies are shown by means of a small viewer. Flashlight batteries and lamps illuminate a small diffusing screen over which the pictures are shown. A trigger drops the slide into a receptacle making way for the next slide.

Next step is the display of a sample kit of miniature scale models of several styles of fixtures. Light gage metal form the fixture bases and frames, glass tubing coated white inside simulate the fluorescent lamps.

MORE LIGHT Made possible

Flourescent lighting units solved a difficult lighting problem inside the huge anchorage structures at each end of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. Original layout provided only 1,500 watts which was distributed in fifteen 100-watt lamps. In the great spaces this proved far too little light for safety in inspection and patrolling. Transformer capacity was loaded.

Incandescent lights were removed and 20-watt, 24-in. white fluorescent lamps to the total capacity of the 1½-kw. transformers were installed instead with far better spacing. Much new conduit was run for this purpose, exposed and fastened to the heavy con-

LIGHT DRAFTED—More than three miles of continuous strip fluorescent lighting fixtures are installed on ceilings in the new Westinghouse Building in Lester, Pa., near the South Philadelphia Works. This drafting room is 300-fi. long by 100-ft. wide and the illumination on the drawing boards measures 50 foot-candles intensity. The light in the general office averages from 30 to 35 foot-candles.

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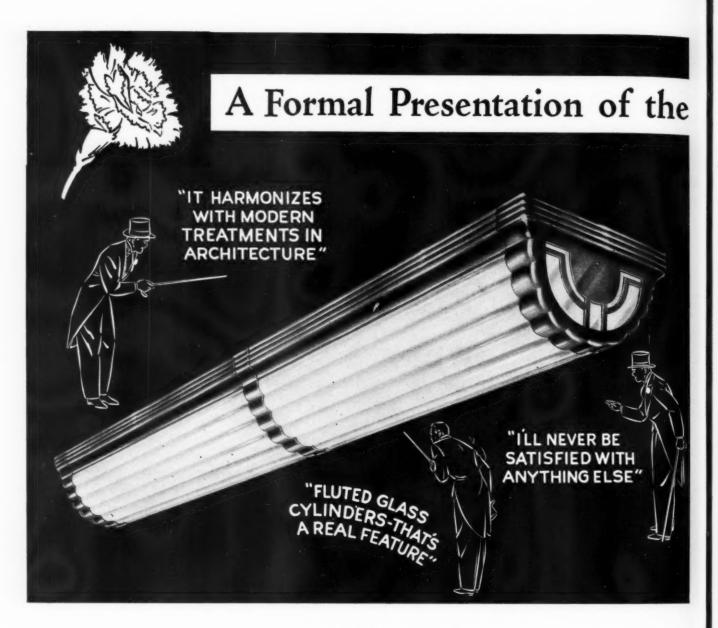
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BE prepared for a surprise! For you will have to revise your ideas about fluorescent fixtures when you see what Day-Brite now has to offer in these modern new units.



The Kingsway

Taking the "excitement" of fluorescent lighting for granted, Day-Brite engineers and designers stepped clear away from the field with the "Kingsway." This fixture is entirely new. New in its graceful lines—new in its use of specially designed fluted glass cylinders and die-cast ends—new in its unique method of construction for easy installation and servicing. New also in its instant appeal to your customers who already place the name "Day-Brite" high in the scale of fluorescent fixture values.

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THE ANSWER - There was insufficient capacity to increase lighting found inadequate under Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco. But fluorescent lamps solved the problem.

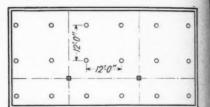


Lighting a HOSIERY KNITTING ROOM

PROBLEM-To provide adequate illumination, with a minimum of glare and sharp shadows, for supervising the operation of automatic knitting machines.

CONSTRUCTION DATA—The building is of steel and concrete construction with concrete encased columns and beams. The area occupied by the knitting machines is 156 feet long by 72 feet wide and has a 13-foot ceiling height. Ceiling, walls and columns are painted flat white.

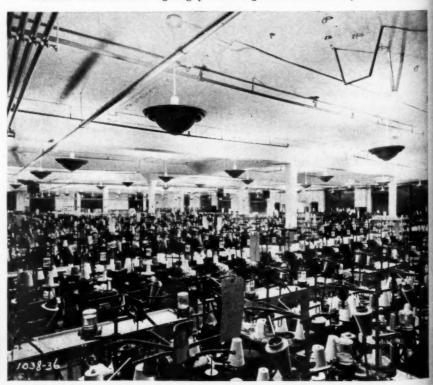
SOLUTION OF PROBLEM—General illumination is provided by totally indirect Alzak RESULTS—The average uniform illumination aluminum reflectors, each with a 500-watt inside-frost general service lamp. The units foot-candles, which is ample for the operator are mounted 9-ft. 6-in. above the floor and are spaced on 12 foot by 12 foot centers. and to align the needles during the knitting Wiring is in exposed conduit.



PLAN VIEW showing the location and spacing of the indirect lighting units in the knitting room.

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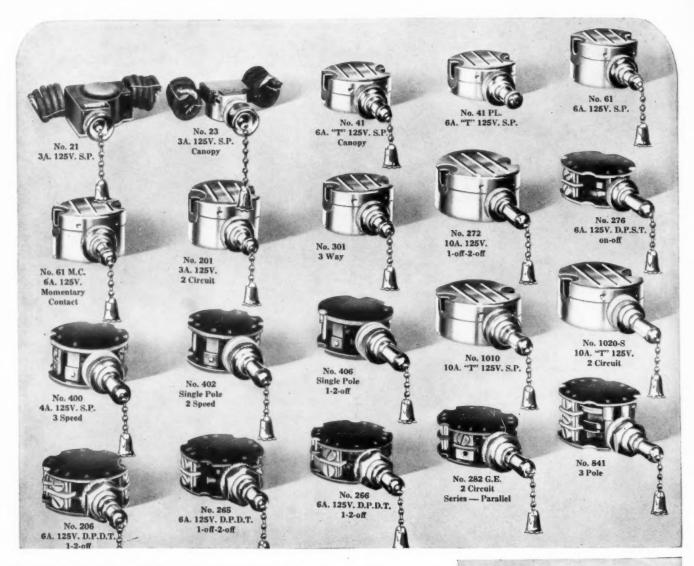
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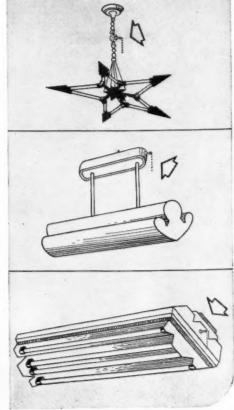
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LIGHTING A RESTAURANT

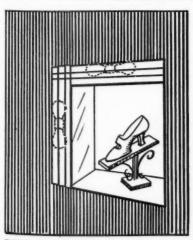
The lighting in the Paramount Studio Restaurant is modern and original. The area lighted is 80 feet long and 45 feet wide and 14 feet high. Cove lighting was used.

There is a single row of 104-36-inch daylight fluorescent lamps, with



FLUORESCENT COVES and dome units provide 10 foot-candles of cool light in this restaurant.

four 18-inch lamps on the curve. The dome units which have been worked into the design, are each equipped with six 24-inch daylight lamps. This system, replaced 200 watt enclosing globes on 12-ft. by 14-ft. centers. It provides approximately 10 footcandles of "cool daylight illumination."



DISPLAY NICHES—Small illuminated niches or cubicles built into a background or set-piece, add interest to the window and draw attention to small articles without detracting from the principal display. In this cubicle, the top and the left side could be opal glass to diffuse the light from concealed lamps. While the sketch shows filament lamps, fluorescents can be used.



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HEAVY GROWLER is suspended over the working area with counterweight balance for easy handling.

working area on a \(\frac{1}{4}\)-inch wire rope running over two pulleys to a balancing counterweight. It is connected to the power circuit by a flexible cord and can be readily raised or lowered with one hand.

COMBINATION GAS AND ELECTRIC BAKE OVEN

The Standard Electric Motor Repair Co., of Linden, N. J., has designed and built a combination gas and electric heated oven for use in its shop.

It is of welded sheet steel construction and measures four feet square and 43-inches high. The sides are filled with 2-inches of asbestos insulation while the top consists of a 4inch deep air chamber. The bottom is



GAS OR ELECTRIC heat can be used for baking in this oven. Time clock arrangement controls either gas burners or electric heating units.

made of a ¹/₄-inch steel plate which forms the top of an 8-inch deep brick chamber enclosing five gas burners.

Fifteen pieces of 3-inch boiler tubing, mounted adjacent to the inside walls, connect the gas chamber with the air chamber on the top of the oven and provide a passage way for hot air circulation when gas firing is used. Two exhaust vents are mounted on top of the oven, one entering the air chamber to form a natural draft, the other entering the oven proper to exhaust fumes. The intensity of the draft is regulated by two notched levers, one for each vent, mounted on top of the oven.

For electric baking, the oven contains four 1000-watt coil wound, cone type heaters, two on each of two sides of the oven. They are located between



INTERIOR OF OVEN showing the air tubes and mounting of electric heaters (see arrows). Trays and tray supports are yet to be added.

the air tubes and mounted, base inward, on a strip of flat iron welded to the tubes. Each unit is individually controlled by a toggle switch mounted on the outside of the oven. A main disconnect switch controls all units. A red pilot light indicates when any one heater is on.

Automatic electric control is accomplished through the use of a time clock, installed ahead of the main oven switch and mounted conveniently on a wall near the oven. This clock also controls the gas burners through an electrically operated automatic gas valve. So, definite baking periods can be had for either gas or electric heating.

TOOL PLATFORM

A shelf for slot insulation and small tools is directly attached to the stator vise at the Russell Electric Co. shop in Mobile, Ala. and may be swung around to any convenient position.

The shelf is 14- by 10-inches and



TOOL SHELF swings around stator vise for handiest working position and holds insulation and small tools.

supported on a flat iron bar drilled at one end to a tight fit on the 14-inch pipe supporting the lower jaw of the stator vise. The shelf is eight inches above the bench level to clear parts or tools that must be stacked close by.

SPOOL Spindles

One of the minor aggravations of life in the motor shop is lost or misplaced spool spindles. For speedy winding the fit must be good and any old piece of pipe won't do. Ingenious mechanics at the San Antonio Armature Works of San Antonio, Tex. worked out the neat little reel rack shown in the accompanying photo so that spindles stay put.



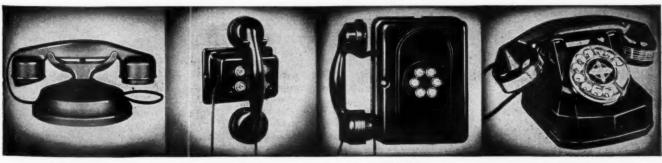
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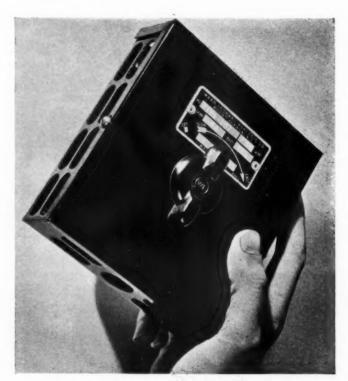
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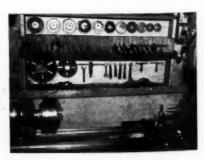
of four discarded ball bearings which ride on a channel iron track. When the oven door is open the truck can be pulled out on a track extension, the dipped equipment placed on the truck and rolled into the oven. Motors up to 50 hp. in size, depending upon speed of course, can be handled in this small oven.

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SMALL AUXILIARY electric oven for odd job work and an oil seal on the dip tank increases profits in this motor shop.

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GOOD HOUSEKEEPING is the rule in the Solliday Electric Shop, Allentown, Pa. One example of strict adherence to this principle is the shelf and rack built above this small lathe to hold the cutting tools, gears and other accessories. It helps save time and labor and cuts costs.

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ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT THAT REDUCES UNIT COSTS

D URING the past decade when business was at low ebb, industry found ways to reduce production costs. One important way was by the use of electric equipment. Now, in these days, when production and industrial plants are expanding, electric power and equipment play an even more important role.

For with all the present-day activity, prices must be kept in line. Operation and production still must be on a basis so that a fair return can be made on the investment.

The progressive electrical maintenance man helps keep prices in line, when he takes an interest in individual machine and process operations and in over-all plant operations. He becomes a valuable asset when he can show the management how to maintain a uniform quality of product, how to increase production, how to save time, reduce losses, salvage material. All of these have a direct bearing on production costs and plant output.

There are two angles from which the maintenance man can view the subject of electrifying operations to reduce unit costs. The first is from the standpoint of individual operations in the plant. This approach was discussed here last month. The second is from the standpoint of electric equipment. In this approach, we classify types of electric equipment, such as, for electric heat treatment, electric space heating, motor drive, motor control, individual circuit control, lighting, safety protection, power distribution, and then special equipment or devices.

The first step is to go over the list and pick out the items of electric equipment that will do the work. By studying the characteristics and functioning of these devices, the selection can be narrowed down soon to an individual unit that is suitable for each particular operation.

Operations are too various and equipment classifications are too numerous to list them all here. However, there are several classes that are applicable in many plants. Also, experience gained in one plant is well worth consideration for another. Typical of such classes are-

1. Electric Heating Equipment

Heat is required in many industrial operations and processes. Numerous methods have been devised to generate heat but there are only three ways by

IMMERSION HEATERS in lead pot. Three 5-kw. units keep metal at exact casting temperature of 650 F., insuring better work.



A S stated last month, one of the major problems of modern in-dustrial management is the continued reduction of unit production costs. At that time, a review of the possible applications of elec-

EQUIPMENT TO LOWER UNIT COSTS

the possible applications of electricity to production lines was made. With that as a background, the present discussion is designed to illustrate what equipment can be used to accomplish these results.

Again, it is the responsibility of

the maintenance man to familiarize himself with the type of electrical equipment available and its application. His is the overall picture of plant operation. And with his knowledge and experience as a background, he should know where the introduction of electrical operations would benefit production most. But knowing how, where and why is not enough. He must also

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The following pages present a number of case studies of the application of electrical equipment to heating operations, material handling and special applications—all of which materially reduced unit production costs. Although used in specific industries and processes, these case studies merit the consideration and study of all maintenance men. For these very methods may be readily and profitably applied to the reader's own plant. The accompanying Maintenance Guide Sheet contains formulae, curves and examples for determinations. ing energy and power requirements for heating specific substances.

Previous articles covered-

- 1. Simplifying electrical maintenance
- 2. Preventive Maintenance of Distribution Systems
 3. Preventive Maintenance of Elec-trical Equipment
- Reducing Power Costs
- 5. Maintaining Good Power Fac-tor—Part I
- 6. Maintaining Good Power Fac-tor-Part II
- 7. Meeting Severe Service Conditions
- Eliminating Causes of Severe Service Conditions
 Providing Adequate Capacity for Increased Demand
- 10. Electrifying Operations to Reduce Unit Costs
 11. Electrical Equipment that Reduces Unit Costs (this issue)
 Future articles will discuss—
 12. Increasing Flexibility of Electrical Service

- 13. Safety Protection for Electrical Operations
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which it can be transmitted—Heat by conduction requires a solid for transmission. Heat by convection requires a liquid, air or other gaseous atmosphere for transmission. Heat by radiation is delivered directly from the energy source to the intended work in radiant form and requires neither solid, liquid nor gas for transmission. Applications resolve themselves into three general classifications, namely, evaporation of water and solvents, drying of paint and surface finishes, and increasing temperatures of materials to facilitate manufacturing processes.

Infra-red lamps are the latest form of supplying heat for industrial purposes. There is no absolute rule for application and installation. Two applications which may appear to require the same time and temperature treatments may need entirely different treatments. Despite the obvious advantages of infra-red lamps, each job still requires special engineering and it is important, therefore, to check with the manufacturers to avoid possible pitfalls.

Electric steam generators are increasing in use and are an economical investment. The main advantage is that they can be installed near the operated machine and supply steam when, as, and where needed.

An example is cited of an installation of four units that reduced operating costs of heating the molds of large steam-jacketed hydraulic Bakelite presses. By an investment of \$800, a saving of over \$2,000 was realized. Formerly steam was supplied by a large, remotely located oil-fired boiler. This boiler required constant attendance, and had to be operated even though only one press was in use.

The individual electric steam boilers were installed adjacent to each press and now steam is supplied only when needed. No attendant or attention is required. The boilers are automatic and protected by low-water cut offs. Operation also demonstrated an advan-

tage not originally conceived—mechanical qualities of the molded Bakelite were improved because of the more uniform temperatures.

Electrically heated ovens are used primarily for baking and drying. Often in curing small molded parts, definite, predetermined temperature cycles, are required which do not vary more than 5 percent. If the variation is too great, the products will be brittle or soft.

The electric heaters can be placed near the top of the oven, so there can be no direct radiation to the work being cured. By the use of "crossflow" recirculation, an even temperature is maintained in the oven. A motor-driven fan forces heated air downward through a louvered duct in the center of the oven which extends from the top to the bottom. The air is circulated about the molded parts, passes to the sides of the oven, and then returns to the top for recirculation. If explosive vapors are given off by the work, sufficient fresh air must be provided for proper dilution of the oven atmosphere.

Small heating units are used for localized heating. The three general types are: (1) cartridge units which are inserted with a sliding fit in the part to be heated; (2) strip heaters which are placed usually between two sections of the part and in good contact, or clamped to the outside of containers; and (3) immersion units which have the heated section immersed directly in the liquid.

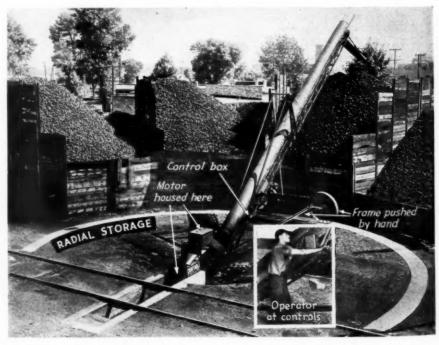
By using three 5-kw. immersion heat-

ers thermostatically controlled in a melting pot, 2,000 lb. of lead for backing electrotype shells is maintained at 650 F., for example. With this installation, the Art Engraving Co., Reading, Pa., reports that the lead is kept at exact casting temperature which insures better work, improved working conditions and reduced dross. In addition, the average power factor of the plant was increased from 79 to 91 per cent by utilization of electric heat.

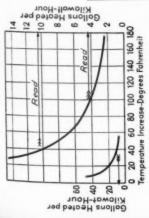
To determine the energy and power requirements of small heating units to heat a given substance, formulas, curves, and other examples are given in the Maintenance Guide Sheet. This material has been furnished by General Electric and Westinghouse.

Portable and semi-portable electric heating devices for specific applications have come into use since the advent of small heating units, and thereby brought reduction in unit costs. Some of the devices are: soldering irons, glue pots, hot plates, compound-melting pots, metal-melting pots, branding irons, kettles, industrial air heaters, and electric unit heaters.

Unit heaters of the forced-convection type may use electricity, steam, hot water, or gas in combination with a motor-driven fan. They are most of them thermostatically operated. They are used for space heating and can be mounted at strategic points. When furnished with adjustable louvers or deflectors, they direct the heated air at a suitable angle for the area. This method of space heating has proved



PORTABLE CONVEYOR, with 5-hp. motor, receives coal from belt conveyor in track hopper and discharges in radial bin. This enables one man to unload 50-ton car load of coal in less than one hour.



I-Water heating. Curve based on efficiency.

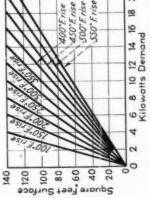


Fig. 2—Heat losses through insulated walls, such as ovens and pieze. Curres based on an insulation I in thick of standard high grade material, such as 85% magnesia, Rockwool, Filinsul, etc. If insulation is 2 in. thick, divide curve values by 2; If 4 in, thick, divide by 4; etc.

S TastoW 1100 1000 Losses Through Wolls of Hot Water Tank - 3" Insulation Such Tank Wall-Insulation

Femperature of Water-Degrees F.

Fig. 3-Heat losses from open hof-water

heat of vaporization must be added to the energy value, keeping the values in the same units, either Btu or Kwhr.

Heat losses through insulated walls, from and smooth surfaces, from molten-metal surfaces, and from oil-bath surfaces, can open hot-water tank, from vertical, solid, be determined from curves and must be added to the energy value. The curves are available in literature published by manufacturers of electric heating units. As examples, three heat-loss curves are given at the left.

Data on specific heats, heat of fusion and vaporization in Btu per lb., melting and boiling point at degrees F, and weight in pounds per cubic foot, can be obtained from manufacturers of the substances or from engineering handbooks.

(A) EXAMPLE FOR WATER HEATING

2 ft. high, with 2-in. insulation on bottom specifi and sides, depth of water 1.5 ft., top of 0.237. GIVEN: A hot-water tank having inside dimensions of 3 ft. long by 2 ft. wide by

to heat approximately 4 gal. per hr.

tank open.

SOLUTION: Quantity of water to be heated = 3 imes 2 imes 1.5 = 9 cu.ff., or 9 × 7.5 gal. per cu.ft. = 67.5 gal.

mately, plus the radiation losses, the losses needed 17 kwhr. ÷ 2 hr. = 8.5 kw., plus losses, to be installed. From Fig. I, for 100-deg. rise, approximately 4 gal, of water can be heated for each kwhr. Then there will be needed depending on the construction, insulation, For heating in 2 hr., there will be + 4 gal.; 17 kwhr. approxi-67.5 gal.

From Fig. 3, tank-wall plus water-surface losses (watthour per hour per sq.ft.) at 150 deg. = 1.7 kwhr, per hr. To heat 4 gal, of water from 50 to 150 F now requires (from Fig. 1) I kwhr.; or, since it is heated within I hr. = I kwhr. 150 deg. = 1.7 kwhr. per hr.

When necessary, the heat of fusion or | ÷ 1 hr. = 1 kw., plus losses.

RESULT: The installation should consist of one 10 kw., 3-heat water immersion unit and a suitable thermostat.

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= approximately 8.25 kw.

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(B) EXAMPLE FOR OVEN BAKING

ances of 3 ft. deep by 2 ft. wide by 3 ft. GIVEN: An oven having inside high, with 2-in. insulated walls.

parts per charge to a temperature of REQUIRED: To bake 150 lb. of steel 250 F.

FACTORS: Weight of trays used, 50 lb. Time of bake, 45 min. Ventilation required, 4 changes per charge. Initial temperature of steel and air, 70 F. Average specific heat of steel, 0.12, and of

REQUIRED: To heat the water from 50 quirements are: For (150 + 50 =) 200 to 150 F within 2 hr. and from then on |b. of steel, heated from 70 to 250 F. SOLUTION: Summation of the heat Energy to heat steel ==

200 X 0.12 (250-70) = 1,27 kwhr.

4 changes of air = 4 imes 2 imes 3 imes 3 =cu. Weight of air = 72 imes 0.08 lb. per 72 cu.ft. per charge. ft. = 5.76 lb.

 $5.76 \times 0.237 (250-70) = 0.072$ kwhr. Energy to heat air ==

Total energy = 1.27 + 0.072 = 1.34 kwhr. Power to be installed = 1.34 ÷ 0.75 = needed in 45 min. (0.75 hr.). 1.8 kw., plus losses. 3412

(Fig. 2) = 2.9 kwhr. per hr. for 53.3 sq.ft. Losses from the walls, door cracks, etc. I-in. wall.

which gives 1.45 km, plus 15% for extra door loss = 1.67 kw.

RESULT: Total power requirement == 1.8 kw. plus 1.67 kw. plus approximately 25% for controlling and contingencies = 4.5 km.

(C) EXAMPLE FOR LEAD MELTING

GIVEN: A pot having inside dimensions of 12 in. diameter, by 9 in. deep, with a holding capacity of approximately 425 lb. REQUIRED: To melt 300 lb. of lead per hr. and heat it to 750 F.

FACTORS: Lead at 70 F when charged; average specific heat of solid lead = 0.12, of melted lead = 0.04; heat of fusion of solid lead = 10 Btu per lb.; melting point of lead, 621 deg. F.

SOLUTION: Energy to melt the lead W X Sp. Ht. X T

$$N_{\rm c} = \frac{W \times 3p, \, H_{\rm c} \times 3p}{3412} + \frac{Hf \times W}{3412}$$

300 × 0.031 (621-70) 10 × 300 3412

Energy required to raise the tempera-= 24 kwhr. ture from 621 to 750 F

300 × 0.04 (750-621) Kwhr.

Energy required for melting and raising temperature = 2.40 + 0.45 = 2.85 kwhr., plus losses. Heat losses from this pot are Maximum losses will be taken, but the bath will be at 750 F only a small part of the Therefore, there will be required per hr. at 750 F (Fig. 4). = 0.45 kwhr. 2.85 + 1.56 = 4.4 km. 1.56 kwhr. time.

RESULT: The pot should have a rating (taking 0.1 of the loss for 533 ft.) with a slightly higher than the actual require-1-in. wall. For 2-in. wall, divide by 2, ments, or approximately 5 kw.

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ELECTRIC HEATING-CALCULATING POWER REQUIREMENTS

U given below will be helpful in deterpart or substance. Exact power requirements are difficult to determine because capacity because the rating can be more NURVES, formulae, data and examples tain the proper temperature in a given the unit or units chosen should have ample mining the energy required to main-Consequently easily reduced than increased. of many varied conditions.

heat a given substance, the total of the requirements must be calculated and added. Heat absorption of ventilating air, and heat losses through doors, exposed surfaces, must be determine the energy required to the substance, of racks or trays, or individual walls.

CALCULATION—The energy, E, in Btu required to heat any substance may considered.

where W=weight of the substance in pounds; Sp.Ht. = specific heat of suband T == temperature rise in de-Electric energy in Kwhr. $E = W \times Sp. Ht. \times T$ calculated by the formula: grees F. stance;

Fig. 4—Heat losses from molten-metal surfaces, such as babbitt, lead, tin, and type metal.



ELECTRIC LIFT TRUCK tiers 325-lb. stoves. Handling time is 7.5 man-hours per 100 units, a reduction of 50 per cent.

economical in heating cost. In one concrete building, with 277,000 sq.ft. of floor area, an installation of 40 unit heaters (steam) and zone control reduced heating fuel costs from $3\frac{3}{4}$ to $2\frac{1}{4}$ cents per sq.ft. In addition, production was increased, because a uniform temperature speeds drying in the paint shops.

Arc furnaces, induction furnaces, and resistor-type furnaces are used to change the structure of metals for working. An important advantage here is the economy effected in providing a uniform product. Also, depending on the kind of furnace, scrap material can be salvaged, me'ting losses can be reduced, small orders can be handled quicker, and parts can be duplicated at any time.

2. Motor and Control

Although motors may be used extensively in the plant, opportunities for better applications of this class of equipment may be overlooked easily when operations are being studied for the purpose of reducing costs. A little ingenuity with a motor drive may solve the problem. Production and other operations performed manually often can be done in less time, even though the motor requirement may be as small at 1/20 hp. In some cases torque or speed will be the governing factor rather than horsepower.

Reduction in cost can be made also by changing the method of drive. A good example is an installation of two motor-driven centrifugal pumps, automatically operated, replacing steam pumps. When the steam pumps were used average water consumption during 24-hr. periods was 100,000 gal. Operation required two men. But when the change-over was made, the original tank was retained and the two 15-hp. motors on the 140 gpm pumps were started and stopped by float switches. Although the water consumption has been doubled, the cost of operation is only \$705 and the saving is \$2,850 annually.

Suitable control equipment is required if the motor and machine are to be operated as desired. A push-button, a relay, a solenoid, or a limit switch may be the solution. A small control device may soon pay for itself, if it prevents interruptions of operations, idle man-hours, and possibly removal of material from machines before operation can be resumed. Such a device might be a time-delay relay which would permit the main contactor to remain closed during a line-voltage dip that does not exceed four seconds.

Another small control device is the mercury contact tube which when tilted makes and breaks a circuit. This device was used recently by a manufacturer of wax paper to stop buckling of paper in a printing operation and eliminate wastage. The mercury contact tube was attached to a lever resting on the sheet of paper. When the paper broke the tube changed position, opened a relay control circuit, and stopped the press motor.

3. Material Handling Equipment

Conveyors, hoists, cranes, electric trucks, and similar equipment, all motor driven, can be used advantageously to reduce costs of manual material handling. A conveyor between two machines or work benches may facilitate movement of finished or semi-finished light weight parts.

Portable conveyors provide for flexibility; discharging material within a specific radius and elevation, or conveying material for an extended distance by the use of two or more conveyors.

One installation of such a portable conveyor enabled one man to unload a 50-ton car of coal and stack it in less than 1 hr. The conveyor is driven by a 5-hp. motor. It swings at the base, can be raised or lowered at the discharge end, and serves a semi-circle of bins with capacities up to 8,000 tons. A belt-type conveyor, powered by a 3-hp. motor, carries the coal from a track hopper to the portable conveyor.

Platform trucks facilitate handling and tiering of material. A mid-west stove manufacturer for instance, was able to reduce handling time when tiering a crated product, weighing 325 lb. four high. The time is 7.5 man-hours per 100 units, at a 50 percent reduction.

4. Special Equipment

In addition to the equipment ordinarily thought of and used, other or special electric equipment often can be employed to reduce costs. A few such items and applications might be—

An electric vibrator is suitable for maintaining a steady flow of material from a hopper. The unit can be adjusted for the number of vibrations per minute and attached to a side of a hopper. An installation of a vibrator was made at the plant of The Lone Star Cement Co., Houston, where fine, damp sand clogged the discharge hopper on an apron conveyor.

An automatic soldering iron for soldering terminals to ignition cables in another case increased production 500 percent. It employs a small arc of low voltage and comparatively high current. The machine can be plugged into a 110-volt a.c. convenience outlet. It is rated 150 watts but consumes an average of only 75 watt-hours per hour. Formerly the operation was performed with a hand soldering iron and the output averaged 25 per hour.

Dust is a problem in every plant and arrangements must be made to dispose of it. Some cleaning operations require considerable time and are costly. Some dust has a salvage value. An installation of electrostatic dust precipitators in a chinaware plant cut the cleaning time to one-tenth, and resulted in economy of space over that required by the settling chambers formerly used. In addition 4 tons of china glaze are recaptured each week. Since each pound of salvaged material may be worth as much as \$2, the annual "pay load" runs into sizable figures.





ELECTRIC VIBRATOR attached to side of hopper maintains a uniform flow of sand at this cement plant.

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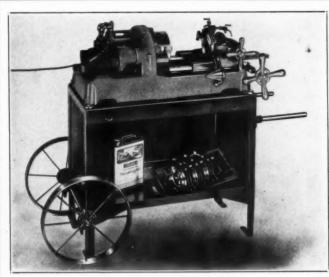
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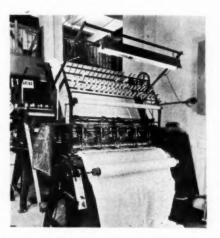


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Fluorescent Lighting Detects Broken Threads

Operators of quilting machines are often required to watch as many as 30 threads at one time and detect a broken thread immediately. To help in this operation fluorescent lighting units were installed and provide a light intensity of 30-foot-candles at the needles. The lighting proved to be an important operating advantage for a quilt manufacturer in New York.

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housing a 36-in. 30-watt "daylight fluorescent Mazda lamp and the necessary auxiliaries. The lighting units plug into separate 220-volt a-c outlets, and are spring-supported at each end to absorb vibration pick-up from the machines. The installation was made by the industrial division of the Maintenance Co. of New York City.

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Connection cord indicator—to indicate when device such as soldering iron or glue pot is consuming power; convenient to have included in plug receptacle on cord or elsewhere in cord circuit.

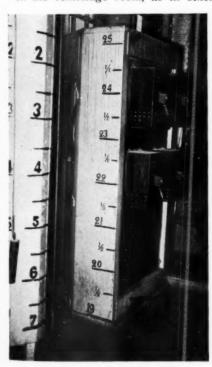
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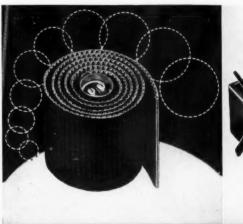
Grouping of air circuit breakers is one method by which the chief electrician of a Philadelphia sugar refinery was able to lower maintenance costs. Different types of installations are required in different sections of the plant. Direct current is used for purposes of obtaining variable speed.

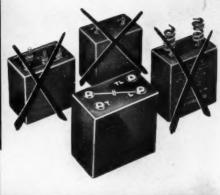
One type of installation is a cabinet employed for the panel-mounted breakers in the crystalizing room. Each breaker serves a branch feeder for a group of motors. The back of the cabinet is accessible through a door at the side, for inspection of the feeders.

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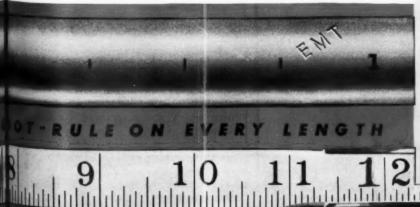
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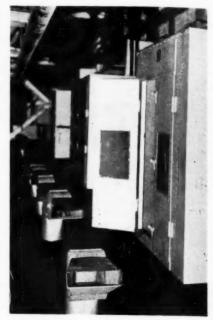
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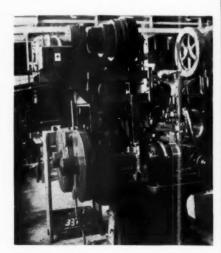
A New England firm when moving from an old plant to a new shop salvaged about 50 machine tools which were belt-driven in groups. These machines were in good enough condition to operate for an indefinite period.

Among the number was a National duplex bolt cutter and threading machine which was rearranged for individual motor drive. The step-pulley main drive was retained. The former line shaft connection was replaced by a second step-pulley and a 7½-hp., 550-volt, 3-phase induction motor. This equipment was mounted above the machine, on a special welded frame.

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An across-the-line starter was mounted on a side of the motor and a single conduit riser from the floor fed the unit. A push-button was located



INDIVIDUAL MOTOR DRIVE and starter supported by a welded frame on a bolt cutter.

centrally above the machine, being served by a single horizontal run of conduit from the starter.

The resulting arrangement for individual drive compared favorably with other equipment in the new shop, from the standpoint of freedom, from obstruction of work, safety, and space and operating economy.

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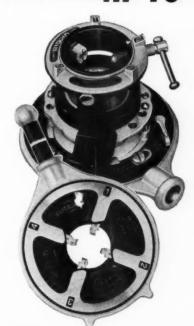
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PHASE READINGS

UESTION 4. On a 2300 volt distribution panel we do not get balanced ammeter readings on the three-phases. With the ammeter selector switch in position 1. an average reading is 56 amperes, in position 2. it is 92 amperes, and in position 3. it is 56 amperes. Checking with a tong type ammeter, we find the current to be 56 amperes on each leg. The wiring has been checked completely and thoroughly but the cause of the discrepancy in readings has not been found. Can somebody tell me why?—R.C.M.

TO QUESTION 4. This would seem to indicate that the ammeter was connected into the common lead on this position of the switch, although R.C.M. says the wiring has been carefully checked. This can happen and gives a wrong reading unless the ammeter is compensated to take care of this condition. It would seem it is not, as it reads correctly on the other positions and with the tong test. I would check the wiring again with this in mind, and possibly it will show up.—W.G.C.

TO QUESTION 4. Your unbalanced ammeter reading is apparently due to a reversed connection of the wires, of one of your current-transformer secondaries, if they have been properly mounted in respect to their polarity markings. Thus reverse the instantaneous polarity of one of the transformer with respect to the other.

With the above connection, and the ammeter selector switch in position 1.,

an average reading of 56 amperes is correct for the current in switch in position 3., regardless of the polarity of the current-transformers. But with the selector switch in position 2., the ammeter reading 92 amperes, indicates a reversed connection or reversed polarity of one of the current-transformers in respect to the other. Such a connection of the secondary causes a phase-angle displacement from normal, and thus an unbalanced ammeter reading.

Reverse the connecting wires of the secondary, of one of the current-transformers. This should correct your polarity difficulty, and you should obtain practically the same ammeter reading at each position of the selector switch. I have assumed a three-wire, three-phase system, using two current-transformers.—L.H.M.

CAPACITOR LOCATION

UESTION 5. In placing capacitors for power factor correction where is it best to put them in the line? Near transformers or halfway down to load or nearest to the load?—S.C.

TO QUESTION 5. To properly place capacitors in a system for power factor correction, depends upon the load conditions, the diversity factor of the load, and the arrangement of the feeders and distribution system of the plant. However, the capacitor will eliminate the wattless current in the circuit between the capacitor and its source. So generally speaking, it is best to place the capacitor nearest the load. For example, a capacitor of proper size or capacity, may be connected directly to the motor leads of

a motor to correct the power factor of the motor, and that portion of the line feeding it, while the motor is operating.—L.H.M.

TO QUESTION 5. The location of capacitors for power factor correction is governed by so many factors that it would be hard to answer S.C. without knowing his particular conditions. However, generally it is best to locate capacitors near the load because their corrective action is back toward the generator, or power supply. So by locating them near the load, the feeders, transformers, etc., are benefited by the increased carrying capacity and the reduced heating of the conductors.—W.G.C.

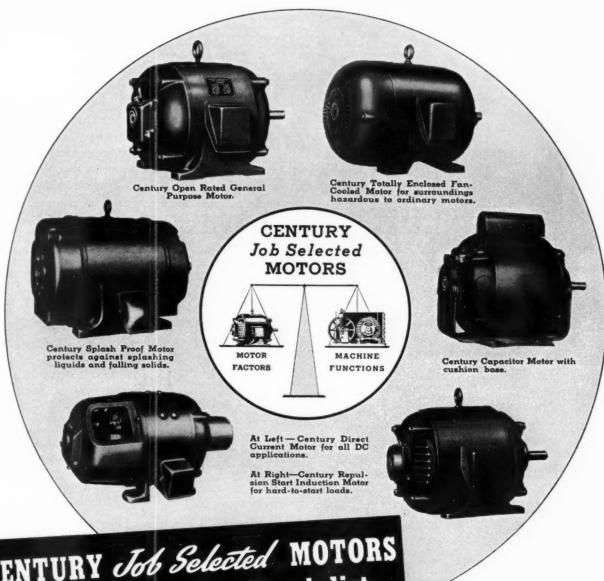
NEON SIGNAL

UESTION 6. We have signal lights on some of our machinery with a 110-volt a.c. switch connected on the ground wire inside the 440 volt motor starters. They burn when the motors are running. One of the lights is connected to a 110-volt motor that feeds carbon black to the 440-volt pulverizer and cannot be started unless the pulverizer is running. When the pulverizer and feeder motor are disconnected, the neon glow lamp signal will give a flickering glow. How can I stop that?—H.D.M.

TO QUESTION 6. With your present connection your neon-lamp glow is due to either capacity or a high-resistance ground between the motor windings and the frame of the motor, which is usually grounded. It requires only a very small current to cause a neon-lamp to glow. This glowing may be stopped by using the interlocking switch to open the hot line of the 110-volt line, or the line that is above ground potential, to which the neon-lamp is connected instead of opening the grounded side of the line.—L.H.M.

TO QUESTION 6. The two words "carbon black" indicate the trouble to me. It wouldn't take much of this dust to furnish current for a neon lamp. If this cannot be eliminated use a small carbon filament pilot lamp, which will not operate on leakage.—A.F.L.

A TO QUESTION 6. I suggest that the neon glow lamp be replaced by a 10 watt filament lamp. My experience with neon glow lamps is that they are very sensitive.



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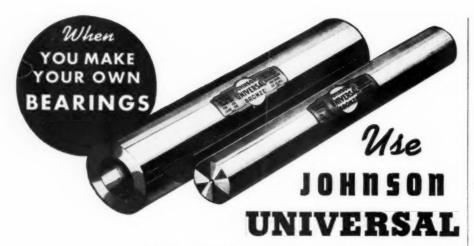
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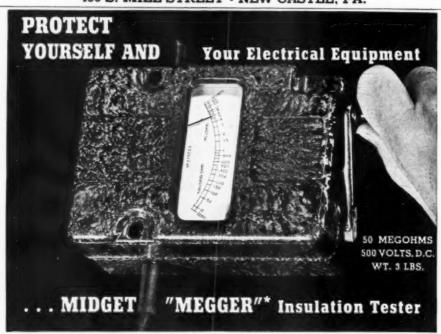
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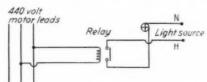
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Short leads must be used and kept well away from other wires carrying electric current.—C.L.B.

A TO QUESTION 6. The easiest way is to connect the hot wire to the switch instead of the lamp. Or use a relay switch in the motor



leads of 440 volt motor as shown above.—F.T.

PORTABLE CONTROL

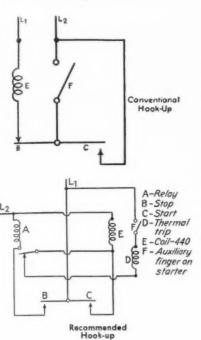
UESTION 7. We want to control a magnetic starter from any one of several locations by means of a portable plug on a cord with a push button. Is there a type of four pole plug and receptacle available that will allow the push button to operate while plugged in and yet close the stop circuit when the plug is removed so as not to interfere with operation from other locations?—D.H.B.

TO QUESTION 7. This may be accomplished with any standard 4-pole polarized outlet and plug. Connect push button station to plug. Trace out control circuit to the first outlet. Extend to as many outlets as desired, connecting like poles together on the added outlets.—R.E.H.

TO QUESTION 7. Can you not use a simple a.c. line starter controller which requires a 3-wire push button station? Then any 3-pole polarity receptacle would do. Then they could be connected in parallel and the stop circuit would be closed in the portable push button station.— J.B.C.

TO QUESTION 7. Unless it is desired to operate this arrangement in connection with permanently connected buttons, I can see no necessity for the four-pole plug arranged to close the stop circuit. The several receptacles may be connected in multiple on the three control wires and will operate from any place it is plugged in. Of course, if more than one station is wanted to be connected at one time this would not work.—W.G.C.

A. TO QUESTION 7. You cannot find a suitable plug at the 600 volt rating. But by making both start and stop buttons "make" and



adding a small, low priced normally "closed" relay, this circuit will meet the requirements for any number of stations. A regular 3-pole locking or polarized plug will then be O.K. Connect as shown above.—A.F.L.

WELDER VOLTAGE

UESTION 8. Our welder sets his machine on 60 volts and welds for a short time and soon the voltmeter reads 57 or 56 volts without being changed. How can I remedy this? What is the cause?—H.D.M.

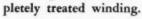
TO QUESTION 8. The generation of heat in winding and rheostats causing loss of conductivity in conductors will cause drop in voltage. Keep all contacts clean, brushes in good shape and stabilizer free from dust and dirt and you will help to reduce voltage drop.—F.T.

TO QUESTION 8. The cause of the voltage drop in your welding machine after a short running period is due to the machine warming up, or temperature rise in the windings. As the temperature of the windings increases, the resistance of a given winding increases, thus lowering output voltage respectively. Thus, the voltage drop is equal to amperes times resistance times coefficient of the resistance of copper due to the temperature rise. If this machine should have its field

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Reader's QUIZ

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liary or exciter generator, this voltage drop may be partially but not wholly eliminated by allowing the machine to run idle for a short warm-up period, with increased excitation on the field coils, in order to raise the temperature of the coils to about normal operating temperature.—L.H.M.

Can You ANSWER these QUESTIONS?

QUESTION E—In a number of plants, a color code is used to identify air, steam and water pipes. Has a standard code been established? And what colors are used to identify conduit carrying primary or 2,400 volt feeders, 110, 220, and 440-volt a.c. circuits, 115, and 230-volt d.c. circuits, and low-voltage circuits for fire-alarms, signals and telephones?—R.M.S.

QUESTION F—On an ungrounded 110 volt, 2-wire, single-phase system I have several electric spot welders on rubber casters. Each one has a grounded wire run to the sprinkler system. Every once in a while the operators of a machine gets a shock. The fuses do not blow, but the machine becomes grounded. How could I remedy this trouble?—W.J.S.

QUESTION 6—What is a good way to get rid of static from belts on machines mounted on a wooden floor without having to ground 200 or 300 machines?—S.C.

QUESTION H—We have a number of machines in a crane runway 50 by 100 feet. They were not provided with lighting because the building is of "all window" construction, and no night work was contemplated. The machines are lathes, planers and shapers, doing rough and semiclose work. The operators are unable to see close work on cloudy days.

We need overhead lighting with fixtures that will clear the traveling crane. But the management frowns on fixtures using more than 300 watts or too many lights burning. So we have run under-floor lines to some machines and provided flexible arm fixtures with 50 watt bulbs. The cords are tangled and broken. Bulbs disappear.

How can we properly illuminate these machines without making the meter spin? The clearance from floor to top of crane is 30 feet.—R.E.G.

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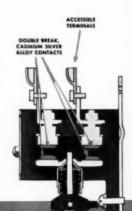
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Lighting the National Airport

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tact lights with blue filters, mounted in the taxi strips. They are visible only for a short distance and guide planes to and from runways and the terminal apron. Each separate section is on a separate control so the dispatcher can light a guiding path ahead of the taxing plane.

Flush red and green marker lights are provided wherever a taxi strip meets a runway. These are visible only to a pilot taxiing on this strip. They are under control of the dispatcher and he can either release or hold a plane.

The wind indicators are of a design not used before in the United States. They are electrically operated smoke generators, which take the place of the standard wind tees, tetrahedrons, or wind cones. They are mounted flush with the ground at four intersections in the landing area and are so located that at least one will be illuminated by any bank of floodlights used. The units consist of an electrical heating element that vaporizes fuel oil which passes up in a steady stream of smoke. By observing the smoke, pilots determine the wind direction and approximate velocity at the field.

Lighting Control Board

The nerve center of the field lighting is centered in a three section control desk installed in the control tower on top of the administration building. The heart of the control system is in four switches on the desk, which control a total of 135 field circuits. All this is accomplished through pre-set circuits similar to theatre lighting.

The left and right sections of the board, respectively, contain instrument landing controls and switches for the continuously operated circuits and radio. The center section controls the landing and take-off lighting circuits. Here a miniature of the field is reproduced with translucent runways and pilot lights indicating all major field lighting units. The wind indicator has reverse compass readings to indicate the runway approach to be used rather than actual wind direction.

The four switches mentioned include a selector switch which is set to the runway shown by the wind indicator; two pre-set switches, normally set at sundown and turned off at dawn, to set up the master control switch for runway flood and contact circuits; and the master control switch which has "off", "take-off" and "landing" positions.

A fifth switch, for emergency use, changes all traffic signals to red.

The entire board is duplicated for stand-by purposes, with a double throw switch to throw the control on either board and prevent simultaneous operation of signals on two runways. All pilots on the board are fed from a special bus with a dimmer control. All operating handles, instrument needles and numbers are finished in fluorescent enamel so they will be visible in the light of concealed ultra-violet lamps, for operation in complete darkness. All pilot lights are carefully screened with louver glass to prevent reflection from the slanting control tower windows.

Maintenance and Methods

Ease of maintenance and operation are features of this installation. All controls are as simple and foolproof as possible. Underground distribution and control ducts have plenty of spare capacity. Empty ducts are provided for additional load of future parallel runways. Dual control groups on the main panel can readily be adapted to simultaneous operation of future parallel runways.

To simplify lamp maintenance and prevent unheralded burnouts, fourteen electrically operated elapsed time indicators are installed in the electrical equipment room of the terminal building. They are connected in the lighting control circuits to indicate the accumulated operating time of the floodlights, runway contact and boundary lights. When the rated life of the lamps are approached, they can be replaced before burning out.

In general, the methods used on this job were similar to those used for any underground distribution. Single duct lines are of NoCrete fibre duct, multiple lines of standard fibre duct encased in a transit-mixed concrete envelope. Trenches and backfill for the duct were dug by W.P.A. labor under the contractor's supervision. The 314 precast concrete handholes, used for the contact lighting, were constructed in the field by the H. P. Foley Company.

To pull in some sixty-odd miles of lead covered cable, over an area of 556 acres, required four trucks with boom equipment and two reel trailers. The reels were raised to the trailers and taken to a feed-in manhole. The trailers were then unhooked and the truck driven to the pulling end of the duct. These trucks were also used to distribute the materials around the field.

An average crew of 20 electricians with two engineers took 120 days to complete this field lighting job. It cost approximately \$187,000 with equipment.

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NEW MOTOR Feeders

The following cost study was made on a small job involving feeders and connections for two new motors in a one story factory building. The shop was in operation and work had to be installed with as little interference with normal operation as possible.

The job consisted of removing old cutout blocks from an existing panel, installing a new ten-circuit, three-phase panel, connecting to an existing feeder, running circuits for a 10 hp. and a 3 hp. motor along a center steel beam to the motors approximately 130 feet down the shop.

Wiring to 10 hp. motor including % of time on 150 foot 11/4-inch conduit run, 640 feet number 6 wire, flexible connection to motor and all wire connections....23.00 m.h.

The figures are for the complete work including lost time, superintendence, clean up, etc.

Data from Block Electric Co., Chicago, Ill.

UTILITY TABLE

The newest piece of equipment added to the air conditioned engineering department of E. C. Ernst, Inc., electrical contractors of Washington, D. C., is a large utility table.

The table-cabinet combination is 10-ft. long, 5-ft. wide and 30-inches high. It can be used by the draftsman, estimator and engineer simultaneously. The left end, shown in the accompanying photograph, contains a built-in illuminated drafting board with a 4-ft. by 3-ft. piece of clear plate glass covering the lighted area. Two 20-watt white fluorescent lamps provide the light at

present and provisions are made to use two more if necessary. A parallel rule device completes the equipment on the board. A portion of the 5-ft. end of the table is cut out to give easy access to the glass-topped board.

The area under the table top is divided into two sections. The one under the board has six 8-in, by 8-in. by 5-ft. pigeon holes on each side of the knee-hole opening. These are used to store prints of jobs that are being or have just been estimated. The knee-hole area contains hooks for brushes, triangles and other equipment as well as duplex convenience outlets for electrical erasing devices, tabulating machines or other electrical accessories. The right-hand section of the table contains six blueprint drawers, each 6-ft. wide and about 5-ft. long, to store working drawings of jobs in progress. The large table top area provides ample space for spreading plans for take-off or consultation purposes.

This table, designed by the Ernst engineers for their specific needs, is made entirely of wood and is the fourth 10-ft. working table in the room.



ENGINEER-ESTIMATOR H. E. Proctor of Hixon Electric Company, electrical engineers and contractors of Boston, Mass., has another feather added to his cap. He is on the home stretch of engineering the electrical installation at the new home of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., of that city.

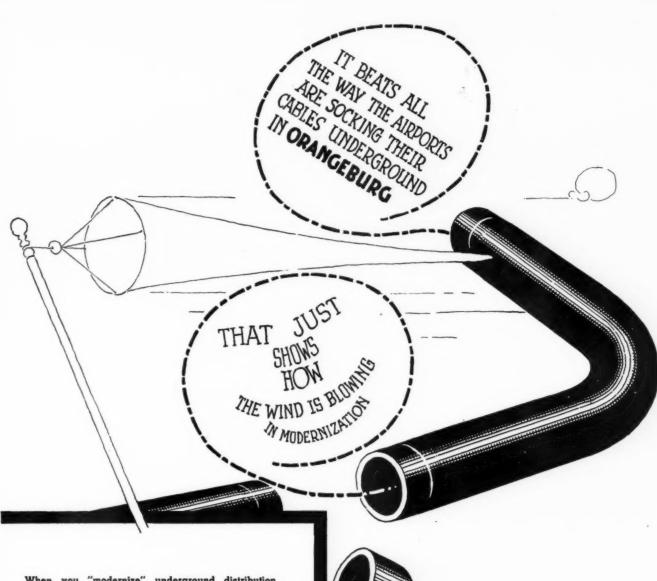
BRANCH CIRCUIT DATA

The labor data in the accompanying table was compiled by Martin E. Keane, an independent electrical estimator of West Roxbury, Mass., from years of experience in electrical construction and at the former Electrical Estimating Bureau at Boston, Mass.

These units are now being used by Mr. Keane for new construction work and for electrical estimating classes which he teaches in and around the Boston area. The table is offered to you as a guide in estimating labor to install branch circuit conduit, outlets, wiring devices, wire; also cutting holes under various conditions encountered in building construction. (See page 78).



ILLUMINATED TRACING board is built into this large utility table in the engineering department of this Washington contractor. Fred G. Mitchell, engineer-treasurer of E. C. Ernst, Inc., finds tracing an easy job now.



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LABOR DATA FOR BRANCH CIRCUIT WORK BRANCH CIRCUIT CONDUIT

HOURS PER HUNDRED FEET HRS. EACH Ells

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1.9 2.0 2.0 2.0 1.9 3.2 2.1 8.0 *34° 34° 3.4 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.4 5.0 3.7 10.0 4.3 4.3 4.3 4.3 4.3 4.3 4.3 12.0 4.9 4.9 4.9 4.9 4.9 4.9 15.0 0.5 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 18.0 0.8 0.8 0.9 1.0 0.8 1.1 1.1 0.75 0.5 1.3 1.3 1.4 1.4 1.4 1.0 1.4 0.7

- A Reinforced concrete
 B Concrete slab tile filler

- C Steel pan metal lath and plaster
 D Suspended ceiling work conduit in slab
 E Suspended ceiling work conduit in ceiling
- F Wood Frame
- H Exposed on concrete, brick or iron I Exposed on wood or plaster

	BRANCH CIRCUIT WIRE AND DEVICES	HRS.	HRS. PER	
ORDINARY CONDITIONS	No. 14 or No. 12 wire — ordinary conditions	7.0	М	
ā	conditions	9.0	M	
NO	10 amp. single pole switch and plate		C	
RY C	10 amp. double pole switch and plate	30.0	c	
×	plate	40.0	C	
D	10 amp. flush receptacle and plate.	20.0	C	
S	Drop cords - to make up and intal	0.5	Each	
-	Sign receptacle in box cover		Each	
	Floor box — single gang	1.4	Each	
	Pendant fixture and shade		Each	
	Ceiling fixture and shade	0.5	Each	
	NDUIT AND BOX FASTENINGS Expansion bolt in brick Expansion bolt in concrete Toggle bolt in tile Wood screws		0.3	
	CUTTING HOLES	IOURS F	ER FT.	
Tile			0.3 1.0 1.5 1.75	

Waterbury News

Martin O'Rourke, City Inspector in Waterbury, Conn., and R. O. Mills, illuminating engineer, with the Connecticut Light and Power Company have been active in the revival of the old Waterbury Electrical League and a new local Electrical Contractors Association has been formed. The power company has established a power factor penalty clause that is expected to stir up a bit of factory business, and store work where fluorescent lamps are lagging.

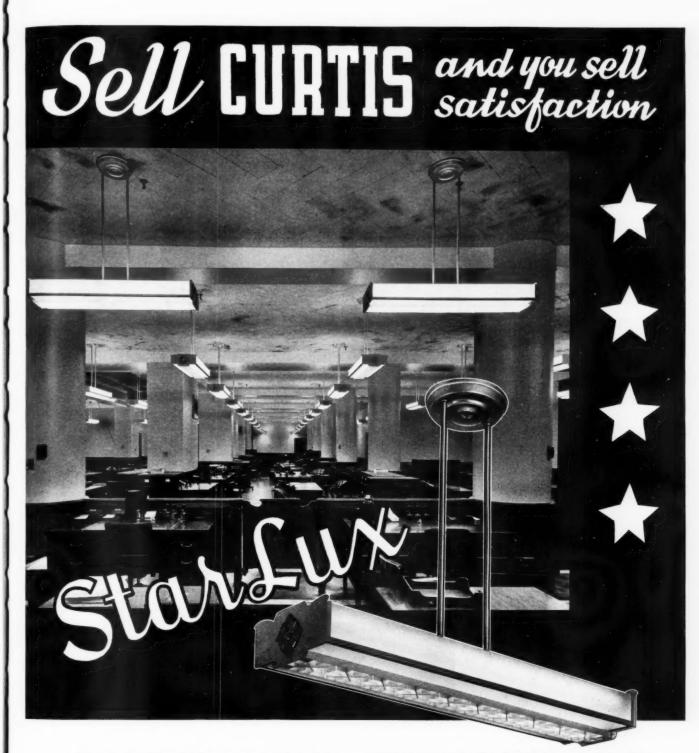


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A Portable Motor Application

"A portable room cooler contains a three phase compressor motor and a single phase fan motor controlled by switches on a cabinet which houses them. A flexible cord connects these to a wall receptacle. Will the Code permit one lead of flexible cord to run directly to the motors and not go through the switches on the cabinet?"—B.A.S.

A • to a receptacle by means of flexible cord, it must be made certain that the appliance is portable. If secured to an exhaust duct for exhausting the hot air or if connected to water pipes for cooling, it is not portable and must not be connected by flexible cord but must be wired in a permanent manner.

The question about running one flexible cord directly to the motors probably refers only to the fan motor as it would not be practicable nor desirable not to use the switches on the cabinet to control the compressor.

So, if the appliance is portable and the fan motor is ¼ hp. or less, the fan motor may be connected directly to an attachment receptable by means of a flexible cord as for this size portable motor the Code in 4383C permits an attachment plug and receptacle to serve as the controller.

As the compressor motor is larger it must have a controller which, in this case, would be the switch on the cabinet.

Fluorescent Strips

Q. "Is it permissible to use fluorescent strip lighting fixtures for raceways, for one or more circuits? Is it permissible to use the knock-outs in these fixtures and run conduit from fixture to fixture, instead of using a

regular outlet box in the ceiling?"—C.W.M.

There are three makes of surface raceways listed by Underwriters' Laboratories which may be used as suggested above provided the following restrictions are observed,—for use only with lampholders for tubular fluorescent lamps mounted directly on the raceway; resistors for d.c. units to be located in other enclosure apart from the raceway; not more than ten No. 14 or No. 12 wires to be used in the raceway (and less of larger wire); wires to be of a type suitable for 75° C.

This last restriction means that the wires are to be of the heat resistant, type RH or RHT, or of the asbestos varnished cambric, type AVA or AVB, insulation only.

EQUIPMENT FRAME grounding requires better connections and protection for the connections, says George Welman, electrical engineer of the Louisiana Insurance Rating Bureau. Field experience indicates, he says, that grounding conductors attached to motor frames are often found unprotected and in a damaged condition.

With the above in mind, it would be permissible to run the circuit conduit into the knockouts in the raceway. Of course, using armored cable which has only type R wire would not be permissible in this manner.

The three raceways listed by Underwriters' Laboratories for this use are those of, Curtis Lighting, Inc., Day-Bright Lighting, Inc. and The Wiremold Co.

It would not be permissible to use any other fixtures (or strips) than the three mentioned above as raceways for circuit wiring.

Bare Neutral

• "Would it be permissible to use two, single conductor, non-metallic Parkway cables, together with a bare neutral, as an underground 3-wire-220-volt service?"—E.M.

A Sub-paragraph "a" of section 2304 permits the use of the bare neutral in services but the last sentence of this sub-paragraph "a" states that "except in the service drop such an uninsulated conductor shall be part of an approved type of service cable or shall be installed in a rigid metal raceway." Therefore, the Code would not permit the use of two separate single conductor underground cables with a separate bare conductor for a neutral.

Slow Burning Wire in Conduit

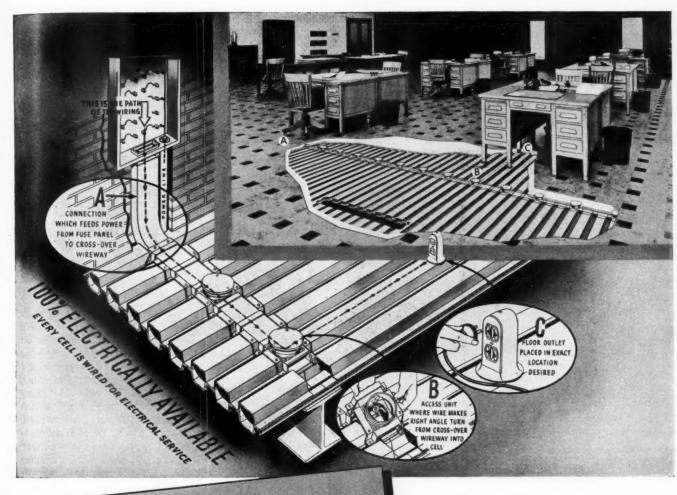
Q. "When can slow-burning be used in conduit?"—F.R.B.

Paragraph 3005a states that slow-burning conductors (types S.B. and S.B.W.) may be used only where the room temperature will exceed 85°C (185°F.)

Unfused Taps

Q. "Article 240, Section 2434c (taps not over 5 feet long). Does this include motor circuits or only apply to panelboards and switchboards?"—C.P.R.

Exceptions b, c and d to the basic rule in the first paragraph of Section 2434 originally came from the rules on motor circuits. While some variations of these exceptions were permissible on motor circuits in the 1923, 1925, 1928 and 1930 Codes, they were not allowed on general wiring until the 1933 Code.



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The motor rules, however, always have required that the unfused tap be at least one-third of the size of the feeder and that requirement is still in effect and is in the 1940 Code.

Therefore, any application of the provisions of 2434c which would tend to provide for an unfused tap of less than 1/3 the size of the feeder, would not be permissible on motor circuits and only applies to panels and switchboards.

The No. 12 Wire Circuit

Code) receptacles are allowed on 15 ampere branch circuits for supplying appliances at not over 12 amp, which I presume would be toasters, flat irons, washing machines. Yet rule 2109 states 'that in dwellings, branch circuits which supply receptacle outlets in kitchen, laundry, pantry, dining room and breakfast room, shall not supply other outlets, and the conductors shall not be smaller than No. 12."

- (A) "Does this mean that all receptacle outlets in above rooms must be put on a separate circuit of No. 12 wire for the washing machine, flat iron, etc?"
- (B) "I presume that a flat iron, toaster, etc. could be used on the 15 amp. circuit as long as the receptacles were not located in the rooms designated in 2109, because 2125b allows receptacles for supplying appliances if they are not rated at over 12 amp. What is your opinion?"—F.R.B.

A Section 2109 requires that any and all branch circuits which supply receptacles in the rooms mentioned, be wired with No. 12 (or larger) wire and that any such circuit (or circuits) do not supply fixtures or permanently connected appliances. In other parts of the house (other than the rooms mentioned in 2109) toasters, flat irons, etc. may be plugged into receptacles on 15 ampere circuits.

Interconnection of Circuits

Q. "Given—New house to be wired with armored cable.
"Proposed—to run 3 wire No. 12 cable to an outlet and there split the 3 wire circuit into two 2 wire circuits, one

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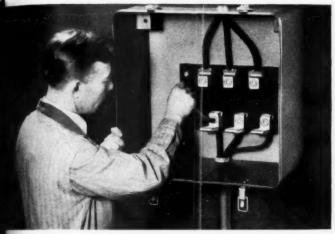
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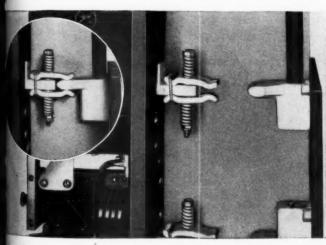
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circuit to be used for the appliance circuit, the other circuit for general lighting.

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"Question—is this a violation of Sections 2104-2109?"—C.T.B.

A If this is an armored cable installation and after running to the "outlet" mentioned each 2 wire circuit is run in separate armored cables, the proposed scheme would be a violation of Section 3052.

If the wires are not run within a metal enclosure or armor there would be no particular violation of the Code by such an arrangement unless the neutral of the appliance circuit would thereby be overloaded. However, such a connection would be highly not recommended and would be frowned upon by many inspectors.

Conduit on Concrete

"Is it compulsory under the Code to pull lead cable in conduit, where the conduit is laid on top of a concrete floor, said concrete floor being laid next to the earth? On top of concrete floor there has been placed two by four timbers, for screeds, to support the wood floor. In other words, the wood floor is laid on top of the concrete flooring."—C.W.M.

A. This would not require the use of lead covered wires in the conduit unless the concrete under the wood floor is continually wet which is very unlikely as the wood would soon rot out.

The Code requires the use of lead covered wires in conduit which is imbedded in concrete which in turn is in contact with the earth, but in this case the conduit is not within, but is on top of, the concrete.

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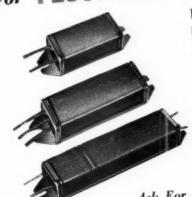
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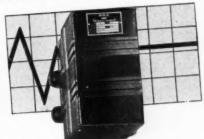
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19 Catalog covering general line of electrolytic, paper, oil, exact-duplicate replacements, transmitting and other condensers, together with motor-starting capacitor selector and capacity-resistance bridge. Aerovox Corporation.

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INDUSTRIAL CAPACITORS

A new Industrial Capacitors Manual gives application data, listings of electrolytic and oil motor-starting capacitors. Aerovox Corpora-

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55 GEA 1974B gives construction. polyphase motors. General Electric Co.

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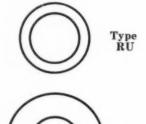
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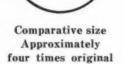
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57 Descriptive data 11-204 gives new information on "De-ion" linestarters for squirrel-cage and wound-rotor induction motors up to 7½ hp. Westinghouse and Electric and Manufacturing Co.

FEED OILERS

58 Bulletin 26-A illustrates and describes this line of unbreakable dust-proof gravity feed oilers, with a removable oil filter. Trico Fuse Mfg.

FANS

59 Catalog X4049 consists of 25 pages of data on this line of fans, air circulators and kitchen ventilators.
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MOTORS AND GENERATORS

60 Leaflet B-6131 illustrating and describing Lo-Maintenance Type E, direct current motors and generators for ratings up to 200 hp. and 150 kw. Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.

STAGE LIGHTING

61 Bulletins Nos. 44 and 46 gives information on what's new in lighting equipment and how to light stage presentations, auditoriums, and theatres. No. 44 features permanent equipment; No. 46 portable equipment and supplies. Kliegl Bros.

CONDENSERS AND RESISTORS

62 Catalog 64 illustrates and describes dry and wet electrolytics, paper tubulars, paper filter condensers, oil filled capacitors, oil transmitting condensers, interference filters, carbon and insulated resistors. Girard-Hopkins.

TOOL

A folder illustrating the "Do-All" combination electric hammer and drill, Wodak Electric Tool Corp.

RECORDING INSTRUMENTS

64 Catalog Section 43-414 illustrating and describing a.c. and d.c. ammeters and voltmeters for general use. Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co.

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ELECTRICAL AND LUBRICATING DEVICES

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Forty-two representatives of manufacturers, suppliers and users of copper conductors attended a conference of the Divi-Simplified Practice, National sion of Bureau of Standards at Washington, April 23, to consider "A Recommended Practice for Copper Conductors for Building Pur-

poses."

The conference adopted the recommendation of the NECA Codes and Standards Committee suggesting that cables over 500,000 circular mills should not be carried as stock sizes for the trade, but be available on special order only. It was further pointed out that this should release appreciable copper tonnage for other purposes, whereas it is now tied up in slow moving inventory items. Also the place of very large cables, thus removed from current stocks, would be better filled, from an electrical standpoint, by smaller cables con-nected in multiple. The group sanctioned further simplification by unanimously approving the discontinuance of wire sizes No. 5 and No. 3.

The effective date has been tentatively set as June 1, 1941. A standing committee representing manufacturers, distributors and contractors will be appointed to ad-

minister the program.

WIRE TO BE SIMPLIFIED

Definite action has been taken by George Andrae, Chairman of the NECA Code and Standards Committee, looking to a reduction in the number of types and sizes of This action emrubber covered wire. bodied a recommendation to the Electrical Committee, N.F.P.A., for their consideration at the special interim meeting to be held in Chicago, June 10 and 11 at the Lake Shore Club. Other proposed Code amendments, a release of Code interpretations, a report on standardization of type S fuses and other items will also be considered at this meeting.

In his proposal of an interim amendment to the National Electrical Code, Mr. Andrae points out that standardization of sizes, elimination of excess varieties, and standard unified loading values will all help expedite the National Emergency Defense Program. Also, it will bring economies of installation, greater efficiency

and eliminate confusion in the work of electrical contractors, inspectors, architects The following proand manufacturers. posals are specified-

1. To eliminate from the 1940 National Electrical Code all types of rubber insulated wires now designated as R, RP, RPT, RH and RHT.

2. To replace all of these type letters by

new Type R.
3. That the New Type R wire will be suitable for operation at a maximum ambient temperature (not copper tempera-ture) of 30° C. (86° F.). This New Type R wire will meet all of the present requirements for Code rubber covered wire, but ments for Code rubber covered wire, but it is dimensionally smaller than the present Type R wire. Sizes 14, 12, 10, and 8 AWG will have the same dimensions as the present RHT, except for wires Types SN and RU which will remain as at present. All larger sizes of wire to have \$\frac{1}{6}\$-in. less insulation than the present Type R wire. It is also proposed to extend type RII wire to include size No. 6. RU wire to include size No. 6.

4. To delete the current carrying capaci-4. To delete the current carrying capacities for rubber covered wires from present Tables 1 and 2, 1940 Code, and to adopt for the New Type R wires the values shown in the 1937 Code, Table 1, Col. A,

Chapter 9.

5. To delete the present wording of Section 3006-a and to substitute therefor: "Table 1 gives the allowable current carrying capacities for average conditions (not continuous loads) of copper wires and cables of 98 per cent conductivity."

6. To delete Note 5 following Table 2,

Page 303, and to substitute the following:

"For continuous full-load operation at the maximum ambient temperature of 30° (86° F.), apply a correction factor of 80 per cent to the values in Table 1 for Type R wire."

7. It is proposed to delete the present table following Table 1, Page 301, and to substitute a statement that the correction factors for ambient temperatures for over 30° C. be— C—40° and 45°, F—104° and 113° with a Correction Factor of .71 and .50.

8. The 40 per cent conduit fill rule will apply except for rewiring work.

9. That other editorial changes be made so that the Code provisions be correlated throughout.

10. To consolidate the current carrying capacity tables for rubber insulated wires. No correction values are required for branch circuit wiring for sizes 14 to 10 inclusive, when up to nine conductors are used in conduit, except as required in paragraph 2107.

11. The use of Types RU and SN wires be extended to new as well as to old work, and that RU be extended to include No. 6.

12. That standard wire sizes be limited to a maximum of 500,000 cm., and that a suitable rule for paralleling conductors be inserted in the Code.

All of the above proposals are predicated on-

(a) A standard reduced wall insulation of a rubber compound superior in quality to present Code grade. This new Code wire will be smaller in diameter than present

Code wire.

(b) The new wire will have the same electrical properties and aging qualities as present Code wire.

(c) The new wire will have greater carrying capacity than present Code wire and will afford considerable economy to the user, not now made available to him in the

present code.

(d) Present tables 1 and 2 on allowable (d) Present tables 1 and 2 on allowable current carrying capacity of conductors in amperes are confusing. Through the proposed simplification a single column replaces present columns 2, 3 and 4 in the tables on pages 301 and 302.

(e) The current ratings in the new column for sizes 14, 12 and 10 may be read direct for up to nine conductors in conduit,

at room temperature.



OLD TIMERS honored with Golden Jubilee certificates for fifty years service in the electrical industry at the annual meeting of the Minnesota Electrical Council, Henry B. Kline, Winona; A. R. Clark, St. Paul; Louis E. Chappuie, Faribouit; J. C. Bong, Litchfield; and Carl G. Nimis, St. Paul.

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(f) When the ambient temperature reads 50° C. (122° F.), Type R wire current values fall to 0, and the wire is useless. Therefore, correction values are only applicable for ambient temperatures of 40° C. and 45° C., respectively.

(g) The proposal revises tables 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 20.

The proposed plan, according to Mr. Andrae, will eliminate five types of wire, replacing them by a single new type small diameter wire, meeting all the requirements of existing standards for minimizing electrical fire hazards, thereby simplifying the Code. Ordinary wiring practices do not contemplate long time heavy loading of conductors, so that the new current loading table is based on intermittent or average conditions instead of continuous loading. The new smaller diameter wire has a better quality of insulation than has been used heretofore for Code grade, Type R wire, thus benefiting the entire industry. As a result, the current values in the new proposal are changed from the present confusing 1940 edition Code tables to a simple statement of values identical with those shown in the 1937 National Electrical Code and previous issues.

MICHIGAN CONTRACTORS MEET IN MUSKEGON

The Wolverine State Electrical Contractors Association held its fourth annual convention in Muskegon, Mich., April



TENNESSEE CONTRACTORS chose these fellow members to guide the affairs of the Tennessee Electrical Contractors' Association for this year (Left to right) Philip Sweet, Chattanooga, secretary-treasurer; C. R. Wright, Knoxville, new president; Herbert Haile, Chattanooga, first vice-president; A. J. Thompson, Memphis, retiring president and new member of the board of directors; and A. C. Gross, Memphis, third vice-president. Ray Edenfield, Nashville, second vice-president is not present.

18-19. Over 200 Michigan electrical contractors and guests attended.

An important feature of the program was a review of new developments in light sources presented by Ted Brown of General Electric, Lamp Division. "Lighting cost depends on four factors," he said, "cost of lamps and fixtures, labor cost of lamp replacement, current cost and rate of amortization." But greatest economy is not always the deciding factor, he continued, quoting an analysis of defense plant lighting showing that 400-watt mercury vapor lamps proved the cheapest, yet fluorescent units were more extensively

used. Rapidly growing applications of lamps in paint drying, heating and in protective lighting are especially important to the contractor today, he said.

The Board of Governors meeting discussed legislation pending in the Michigan legislature, concerning electrical contractor licensing, and elected new officers for 1941. The officers chosen were, president, Arthur Van Vliet, Detroit; first vice president, F. J. Groleau, Muskegon; second vice president, W. G. Apps, Roseville and treasurer Ed Baker, Cass City. The secretary will be appointed by the president from the Detroit area. C. C. Cadwallader, Detroit; W. G. Campbell, Grand Rapids and L. L. Lambe, Edmore, were elected to the executive committee.

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION MEETS AT TAMPA

The Florida Association of Electrical Contractors and Dealers held its annual convention at the Tampa Terrace Hotel in Tampa on April 7th and 8th. Nearly 150 electrical contractors and representatives of other branches of the industry registered for the convention. Over 200 attended the annual banquet of the Association on the first evening.

Some of the speakers who addressed the convention were Frank G. Gannon, President of the Tampa Electric Company; Laurence W. Davis, General Manager of NECA; Maj. M. J. Mackler, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of the City of Tampa; R. B. Roberts, General Sales Manager, Florida Power & Light Company, Orlando; Ellis Knox, Chief Electrical Inspector, Miami; Harper Davidson, Florida Power & Light Company; J. Montenegro, Florida Institute of Accounts; H. J. Chanon and D. B. Clark of General Electric Company, and E. C. Range of the Westinghouse Company.

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Bigby of Tampa was elected Secretary for the ensuing year in addition to his duties as Treasurer. President W. O. Henderson of Jacksonville, and Vice-President W. S. Monroe of Tampa continue in office for the coming year.

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John H. Schumacher, one of the best known electrical contractors of our neighbor nation, died on April first in Winnipeg. He was sixty-one years old. He was an American by birth but had long been identified with progress in electrical construction in the Dominion.

Mr. Schumacher, known affectionately as "Schuie" by his many friends, was born in Dubuque, Iowa, went to the University of Minnesota and entered the electrical

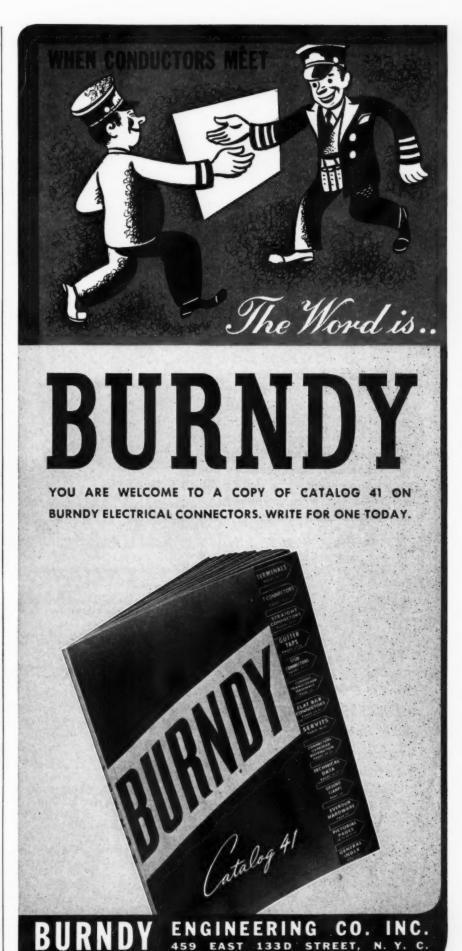


John Schumacher

business in Minneapolis in 1903. He went to Winnipeg in 1911 to become manager of the Mitchell, Gray Electric Company. There he later became head of the contracting firm of Schumacher-Mackenzie, Ltd. For the past 16 years, Mr. Schumacher has been a member of the Executive Committee of the National Electrical Contractors Association, representing western Canada. He retired from active work some time ago but continued to be very actively interested in all that concerns electrical progress, and traveled widely in the United States where he is known to contractors in many cities.

FLUORESCENT SCHOOL IN NEW YORK

An average audience of more than 300 representatives of all branches of the electrical industry attended a five-session fluorescent lighting school held at the Electrical and Gas Association of New York, Inc., auditorium on March 31, April 8, 17, 24 and May 2. It was sponsored by the Educational and Lighting Fixture Committees of that organization and designed to give a comprehensive



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Each lecture period was followed by a question and answer period with the final after-lecture session taking the form of an "Information Please" period with experts answering all questions.

COMING MEETINGS

ational Electrical Manufacturers Associa-tion—Spring Conference, The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va., May 11-15.

National Electrical Wholesalers Association
—The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va., May 18-22.

National Industrial Service Association—Annual Convention, Hotel Statler, Buffalo, nual Convention, N. Y., May 19-21.

New York State Association of Electrical Con-tractors & Dealers—Saranac Inn, Saranac N. Y., July 7-10.

National Electrical Contractors Association— Annual Convention, Rice Hotel, Houston. Texas, Oct. 6-8.

National Electrical Manufacturers Association
—Annual Meeting, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.
New York, N. Y., Oct. 27-31.

VIRGINIA GROUP GETS FIELD MAN

The Virginia Electrical Contractors Association, Inc., enjoyed good attendance and an interesting program at its annual meeting recently held at Lynchburg, Va. Guest speakers were Ralph Bouligny, former president and Dwight Casey, field representative of the North Carolina Electrical Contractors Association, who gave an interesting picture of their association's activities.

The future plans of the Virginia Association include a state licensing program, which is rapidly gaining momentum, and a drive for contractor cooperation throughout the state. To gain this end, M. W. Scarborough of Roanoke was appointed as field representative to travel the state and organize and coordinate local con-

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tractor groups. Wholehearted support of the licensing program was promised the contractors by J. M. Murphy of Roanoke, chairman of the Virginia Chapter I.A.E.I. The following are the new officers elected for the coming year: W. A. Rice, Lynchburg, president; C. C. Coon, Roanoke, vice-president; T. W. Wilmer, Richmond, treasurer; and L. T. Fraker, Richmond, treasurer; mond, secretary.

BUFFALO CODE SCHOOL

Electrical Association of the Niagara Frontier is sponsoring a Code School for electrical men in the Buffalo area which is drawing upwards of 300 at sessions in the Niagara Frontier Civic Club. Co-operating with the Wiring Committee of the Electrical Association in conducting the school are Associated Electrical Contractors, Inc., Niagara Frontier Electrical Contractors, Inc., Electrical Workers Local No. 41, City Electrical Board and Inspection Department and the New York Fire Insurance Rating Organization.

The Code School consists of five sessions with authorities on various phases of the industry addressing each session.

schedule of meetings follows:

Victor H. Tousley, N.F.P.A., Chicago, "The Wires"; C. H. Bissell, Crouse-Hinds Co., Syracuse, "Hazardous Locations"; N. R. Wilson, Buffalo electrical engineer, "Wiring Design and Protection"; H. H. Weber, U. S. Rubber Co., New York, "Wiring Methods and Materials"; Henry A. Morton, Detroit Edison Co., Detroit, "Motors and Controllers."

Each session is divided into two parts. First, the lecture, and second, a question and answer period. To stimulate attendance at the lectures, no charge is made for the five lectures if at least four of them are attended. The registrant pays \$2 the opening night and receives a strip of 5 tickets. When 4 are turned in, the \$2 is refunded.



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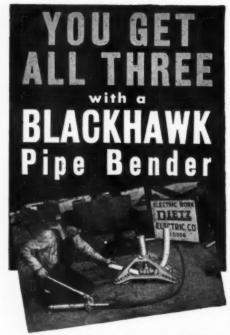


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EEI SALES CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO

A two year case study of commercial building rewiring in San Francisco and a nine point program for fluorescent lighting development, presented before the eighth annual sales conference of the Edison Electric Institute at Chicago on April 3, marked two all-industry opportunities awaiting cooperative planning and promotion on a nation-wide scale. The challenges, presented by O. R. Doerr of the California Electrical Bureau, San Francisco, and P. H. Powers, vice president of West Penn Power Co., Pittsburgh, respectively, were part of an extensive review of utility sales methods and prob-The program included a power sales conference, jointly sponsored by the EEI and the Great Lakes Power Club, rural sales, lighting sales and home service sections.

"If every home built in San Francisco were wired to A-W standards, it would produce \$40,000 to \$50,000 additional business in a year," said O. R. Doerr. "In commercial rewiring we have signed up \$648,000 worth of business in two years." With this comparison he urged other cities to carry on a similar drive to modernize the electrical wiring and lighting of their commercial districts. This activity, he said, will be especially important when national defense demands are relaxed.

The record of \$648,000 worth of rewiring business was accomplished between April 1939 and March 1941 in a potential market of 177 buildings. Where ordinary wiring was 1 watt per square foot, present levels are as high as 8 watts per square foot. The distribution of business over labor and the major material items gave the following breakdown: labor, 27.2 per cent; conduit, 15½ per cent; wire 14.3 per cent; boxes and fittings 13-14 per cent; switchboard, 9 per cent; panels, 7.7 per cent and fixtures and lamps, 40.4 per cent.

Urging the utilities to organize a coordinated program to promote fluorescent lighting, P. H. Powers warned that customers are buying fluorescent equipment on gadget appeal and power-bill-saving sales talk. "Fluorescent lighting is being bought, not sold," he said, "and the facts about lighting are not reaching the buyer. And 95 per cent of fluorescent jobs are going in without engineering help."

Asking the utilities to take the offensive, he set before the conference a nine point program.

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NEW APPOINTMENTS ON LICENSE BOARD

T. L. Rosenberg, representing northern California and J. O. Case, representing southern California, have been appointed on the examination committee of the California state contractors license board by chairman Roy Butcher to prepare examination procedure for applicants for electrical contracting licenses in that state. Rosenberg, head of T. L. Rosenberg Electric Co., Oakland, is a member of the Oakland city examining board, as J. O. Case, president of Quality Electric Co., Los Angeles, is of the Los Angeles County board.

STEINMETZ HEADS B.L.-B.S. BUREAU

H. P. J. Steinmetz, vice-president, Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Newark, N. J., was elected for a two-year term as Chairman of the National Better Light-Better Sight Bureau at a recent meeting of the Bureau's Executive Committee.

Mr. Steinmetz, who has long been deeply interested in lighting promotion, brings to the Better Light-Better Sight movement a thoroughness and energetic leadership that has characterized his activities as head of all sales and promotional work in his company.



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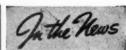
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R. I. LICENSE BILL AWAITS STATE ACTION

A state licensing bill, sponsored by the Rhode Island Electrical Contractors' Association, was recently introduced in the State Legislature and is now awaiting consideration of the finance committee. The bill proposes state licensing of all electrical contractors and electricians doing electrical construction work and is designed to increase the quality of workmanship and safeguard the public interests.

SOUTH BEND A.W. CERTIFIES

The recently organized Adequate Wiring Bureau of South Bend, Indiana, fortyeighth group to undertake this national promotion, has just received its certification license from the National Bureau. The license covers the city of South Bend and St. Joseph County, Indiana.

Thomas Beverage and Russell Place are the contractor members of the local bureau's Standards Committee. Other members include Fred Champaigne, city inspector; Frank Kilander, jobber; and John Webb, secretary of the bureau.

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Graybar Elect Officers

The Board of Directors of Graybar Electric Company re-elected Frank A. Ketcham as president. Elbert A. Hawkins, who has been vice-president in charge of sales, was elected senior vicepresident. Alfred H. Nicoll was reelected vice-president.

Three district managers were elected vice-presidents-Walter P. Hoagland of Chicago, Walter J. Drury of New York and Alfred L. Hallstrom of Philadelphia. They will continue their headquarters in those cities.

Elmer W. Shepard was re-elected treasurer and Martin E. Wagner was continued as secretary and comptroller.

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At the annual stockholders meeting, Leland B. Duer, partner in the law firm of Duer & Taylor of New York City, was elected a director of the Okonite Company.

Charles E. Brown, Jr., formerly assistant to the president, was elected vice-president of The Okonite Company and the Okonite-Callender Cable Co. Mr. Brown who has been associated with the company's sales department since 1925, will remain in charge of the Washington, D. C., office.

Albert F. Metz, treasurer of both companies was elected a director of the Okonite-Callender Cable Co.

John C. Dolph Company, Newark, N. J. announces the appointment of James A. Moran as advertising and sales promotion manager. Mr. Moran was formerly with the advertising agency of Campbell-Ewald Company of New York. He succeeds Charles V. Allen, who has resigned to join the sales staff of Robert McKeown Company of Newark.

Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company announces the appointment of Edward C. Stoever as manager of the agency and specialties division of the Northwestern District. Mr. Stoever will take up his new duties in Chicago after two years as manager of the Westinghouse Duluth Minn., office.

Cutler-Hammer, Inc. has transferred A. M. Wolf from the Detroit office to the St. Louis office.

Johns-Manville Sales Corporation, New York, appointed G. A. Barker as manager of Johns-Manville's public utility and electrical products department.

Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, New York, has engaged the services of James P. Gillies to assist in general sales activities.

Roller-Smith Company, Bethlehem, Pa., has appointed Paul Helms as purchasing agent. He succeeds Harry A. Cassler, who retired on April 1.

Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, has appointed Lee H. Hill, a transformer engineer, as assistant manager of the company's electrical department.

Carlton B. Smith, formerly district service engineer in the Southeast District, has been promoted to district superintendent of service and erection, with headquarters in the Healey Building at Atlanta, Ga.





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BACK IN HARNESS after an extended rest, William H. Ireland, president of Wm. H. Ireland & Co., Providence, R. I. electrical contractors, pores over his firm's records. Bill is glad to be upand-at- em again.

Lighting Our "Venice"

Fred Loth, of Graham and Collins, is the man responsible for San Antonio's The San Jacinto night river scenery. River crosses the main street seven times, just back and forth. The banks are planted in palms, bananas and other tropical foliage. It is now lighted from hidden units that flood the trees and bridges, F. A. Covington of "Public Service" planned the project. Loth installed it in this "American Venice" as they call it.

Small Diameter Work

Flynn Electric, of Bridgeport, Conn., has been trying out the new small diameter wire-and likes it. They have tried it in an old one story group apartment house unit taken on by the Bridgeport Housing Authority. They used it on the feeders from the service switch to distribution panels, breaking up branch circuits to put more capacity in each. Flynn is now after some commercial buildings for similar rejuvenation work.



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Maintenance Scale

T. J. Cook of Palisades Electric Company in Yonkers, N. Y., sees a big and profitable market for maintenance and repair business waiting for the day when the union will provide a lower scale for this work. It will give employment to a lot of good workmen who are not as young as they once were, he says and added business for the contractor not salable at the high cost of the standard wage.



HEAVY CURRENT feeders and breakers, as a result of high level lighting and air conditioning loads in modern office buildings, require good engineering design and expert installation to avoid inductive reactance drop and terminals, says electrical contractor Alan Cooke of Houston, Tex. The breaker shown controls main power for the new addition to the Mellie Esperson Building in Houston.

Fastenings

A recent meeting of the Cook County Electrical Contractors Association spent an evening reviewing one of the small but important phases of installation, fastenings in fire-proof construction.

Consensus — best way to lose dollars is to try to save pennies on shields and anchors.

Important note — select proper size, install correctly and forget pull-out capacity because good anchors will hold beyond the normal capacity of the holding screw anyway.

Too Cheap

Stanley Cameron, who heads the H. P. Foley Company in Philadelphia says that Government projects go too cheap. Four or five per cent seems to be the maximum margin but some contractors are taking work for 3 or 3½, or even 2½. It's not enough for a specialized trade

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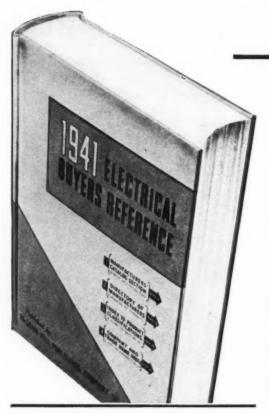
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Immortal Numbers

A job material sheet, worked up by Ed Wigdahl of Wigdahl Electric Company, Chicago, lists several hundred items. It is remarkably complete, even to tools and ladders and makes a fine job-order blank and check list.

However, when we saw "11-B" boxes, "Harter" sockets and such we asked why. Answer — these ancient designations of common materials are still so much used by mechanics, generic names or modem catalog numbers would just add confusion.



COMMERCIAL SPECIALIST E. P. Johnson, in addition to being secretary of the firm, handles a large part of the estimating work of E. C. Ernst, Inc., electrical contractors of Washington, D. C. His firm does a majority of the apartment and commercial building work in the Capital City.

Ship Wiring Costs

H. Wilson, of Gulf Electric, New Orleans, is a ship wiring specialist. He keeps up a manual of ship cost data that follows unit methods. It is a mine of experience which he uses in new work. He wonders if other ship specialists are working up similar dope.

Camp Inspector

Leo McCormick, former City Electrician, Kansas City, Mo., is now a supervising inspector at a large government camp under construction at Rolla, Mo. He sees to it that the boys do right by their Uncle Sam.

New Address

The friends and business associates of the J. M. Edgar Electric Co., electrical contractors and appliance dealers of Vernon, B. C., will find them in their new location in the Nolan Building, 10 Wetham Street, Vernon.

Gambling Control

Ernie Hedler of the local contractors association in Philadelphia, says that Defense Work is curing a lot of contractors of the bad old habit of gambling on price. They can't take chances now either in labor or material costs—And a good thing, sez Ernie. There's lots of waiting work and a shortage of labor in Philadelphia and plans are afoot for organized apprentice training; the Association cooperating with the union.

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Lynch & Scott Electric Co. will be the new name which the pioneer firm of Edward J. Lynch Electric Co., 2080 Sutter St., San Francisco will now be called. Edward J. Lynch Jr. and Edward W. Scott, long interested in the company as a partner, will continue to operate under the new name.

Government First

Leonce Bonnecaze, of Best Electric, says that both labor and material shortages are worrying them now in New Orleans. The government rounded up a lot of skilled men for Hawaii, the Canal and other outposts and the many southern camps have shortened up available materials. It is sure complicating the business.

Forty Years

John A. Gillilland, estimator for Clapp, Rose and Vaughn, Inc., electrical con-tractors in Waterbury, Connecticut has just rounded out forty years in the electrical construction business. Congratulations! He has developed his own labor units and says that every contractor should do the same.



SHOP SUPERINTENDENT Joseph J. O'Donnell has his favorite spot in the center of the large motor repair department of the I & H Electric Co., Providence, R. I. From this vantage point he gets the repair work rolling and helps the boys when they run into a snag.





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This new 4-in. standard ball bearing drill is a practical production drill with high power, compactness and light weight. It is equipped with anti-friction bearings, splined gear mounting, locked inner and outer races on spindle bearing, and removable commutator end cover. With close offset and choice of end or side handle, this drill is particularly adapted to aircraft work, with a full range of spindle speeds. Its drilling capacity in steel is 4-in. and 1/2-in. in hardwood. Standard speed is 2,000 rpm. and available also in speeds of 3,500 and 5,000 rpm. Black & Decker Mfg. Co., Towson, Md.



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G-E WIRE MESH GUARD

Wire Mesh Guard

A one-inch mesh wire guard for use on Type M-2 sodium luminaires has been developed. The purpose of this guard is to protect sodium lamp and reflector elements from large flying objects in industrial areas or near railroad sidings. Guard is permanently fastened to unit. Relamping is done through breech-loading device on the end. General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.



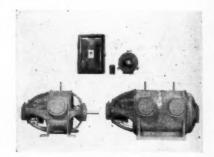
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Adjustable-Speed Drive

Designed for industrial applications requiring adjustable speeds over wide ranges with constant torque, this new 10-to-1 adjustable-speed drive uses a series circuit without usual exciter. It combines high-torque characteristics of d.c. series motor with flat-speed properties of shunt motor. Drive consists of single-unit motor-generator set supplying operating voltage for d.c. series motor coupled to driven load; rheostat in parallel with generator series field to control driving motor speed; across-the-line starter and push button for a.c. motor. Open frames standard; splashproof and totally-enclosed available. Drive available in ratings from 1 to 15 h.p., speed range from 175 to 1750 rpm., 2- or 3-phase, 220- to 550-volts, 60 cycles. Westinghouse Electric and Mig. Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa.



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Motor Pulley

This new variable speed pulley has been designed for light, inexpensive machinery. It mounts directly on motor shaft and requires only standard V-belts. Features include short over-hang, forced lubrication, balanced sheave and all metal construction. Both halves of sheave move giving accurate belt alignment at all Pulley faces are curved. Speed times. ratios up to 24 to 1 available. Sizes up to 4 hp. Complete unit includes variable pitch pulley and adjustable sliding motor base. By turning handwheel of base, motor moves backward or forward causing increase or decrease in belt tension. This causes pulley to open and close, changing pitch diameter and driven speeds. Speed changes are made while drive is running. Ideal Commutator Dresser Co., 1041 Park Avenue, Sycamore, Ill.



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NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE Okays Modern Porcelain Protected **Wiring Systems** The Principles Employed in Porcelain Protected Systems Are Covered Specially in the 1941 National Electrical Code Under Articles 320 and 324 cities have their own ordinances covering the type of wiring within fire zones.

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★ SINCE practically every issue of the National Electrical Code has had rules for installing Porcelain Protected Wiring, it is obvious that through the many years of experience with this type of wiring, contractors know it is not new and yet it is not old. It has kept pace with the need for modernization. The very fact that it is preferred in so many localities is evidence of its durability for construction and building design. In only a very few ocations is Porcelain Protected Wiring limited. This is understandable as there are limitations to all types of wiring.

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Industries, Warehouses, Stores, Homes, Garages and other buildings of frame or fired brick, tile or cement construction come under the type suitable for wiring with Porcelain Protected Wiring. Some

Throughout the years, by virtue of long experience, the Code has provided all the rules necessary for the protection of the conductors and these are found in Articles 320 and 324. They are simple yet they meet every contingency. These rules were built around porcelain as the ideal insulator. They provide for supports and spacing of the conductors. The use of flexible tubing and means for separating wires from metal work as well as protection from mechanical injury are clearly indicated. And now, with porcelain outlet boxes, the system is completely, adequately insulated thus providing Safety all through the system with PERMANENCE.

One Insurance Underwriter stated recently that in his city over 300,000 single family dwellings are wired with Porcelain Protected Wiring and that losses either by fire or accident have been practically NIL. The new homes in that city are being wired by the same method and with the same porcelain protection, to continue this outstanding record of safety.

These homes are wired according to code rules by qualified contractors and in conformity with standards of practice with which these experienced men are familiar. Now, with porcelain outlet boxes, the entrances to the wiring systems can be fully protected from shorts and grounds. These boxes make the system completely short and ground proof. They are non-conductive thereby precluding shorts due to poorly taped wires or fires and accidents due to condensation effect as frequently occurs in kitchens, bathrooms and basements.

Modern Porcelain Protected Wiring Sysbased on FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPALS which have long been established practice. New ideas have prevailed for a time, but because none have embodied the basic principles to the same extent as the Porcelain Protected Wiring System, it continues to be the most practical and desirable.

Safe wiring like basic facts cannot be cast aside. The basic elements which make a wiring method substantial in practice as well as in principal are the same as those which determine the values of all other time proven methods of operation. Any wiring method which is overburdened with rules, which must be buttressed with extraneous devices to reduce shorts and grounds cannot be considered fundamental. If it suffers limitation as to the amount of service it will perform or load it can carry, it is not basic. If it does not reduce the element of chance of human error to a minimum but instead, increases this possibility, it is not based on the time tested, proven factors of safe electrical wiring.

In the case of Porcelain Modern Wiring Protected Systems the spacing of conductors to amply keep them separated and to dissipate any heat from loaded wires, the mounting of the wires on porcelain supports and the insulating of wires from wood members by means of porcelain tubes, all follow the same wise principles which the early code writers held to be paramount in any wirsystems, ing namely, that wiring should be so constructed though the wires were bare.

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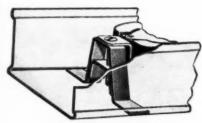




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Fittings

A new series of fittings has been developed, making it possible to use standard No. 3000 Wiremold wiring channel as a group circuit feeder raceway for wiring to light and power circuits in factories.
Also as an industrial type of multiple outlet system at work benches, etc. for connecting portable tools and appliances. New fittings include No. 3000 W.C. wire clip for holding wires in raceway, No. 3007A mounting strap for use with any standard devices having plaster ears and in combination with standard flush plates. No. 3046 cover is for fastening 50 amp. Twistlock receptacles. The Wiremold Co., Hartford, Conn.



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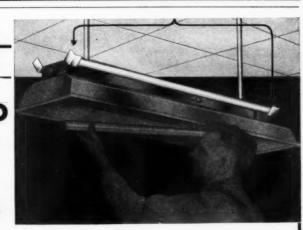


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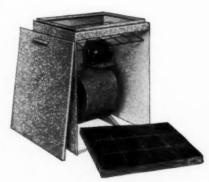
The new 300 Series time switch is made with two exposed gears; all other operate in sealed oil bath and are always lubricated. It is not affected by dust. Operation is by slow speed, 450 rpm., industrial type self-starting synchronous motor. For actuating off-tripper there is a reserve power of 40 pounds. Operates at temperatures as low as 20 degrees below zero. Paragon Electric Company, 37 West Van Buren Street, Chicago, Ill.



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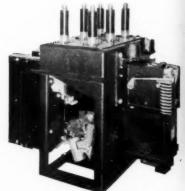
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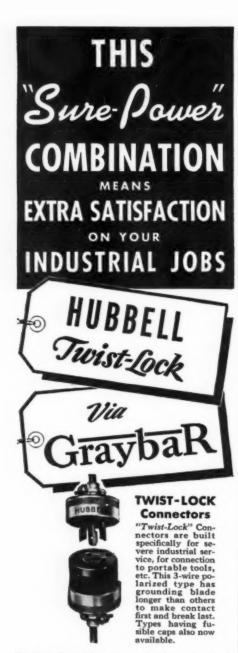
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Industrial Unit

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GARCY INDUSTRIAL UNIT

Temperature Relay

An improved temperature relay, known as Type CFT, is for protection of machines and transformers against overloading. It embodies the induction-cylinder design and supersedes Type ICT inductiondisk relay. No change has been made in circuit and relay still serves as galvanometer in Wheatstone bridge circuit, comprising a resistance temperature detector in one arm and tapped bridge resistors in other three arms. Normal operating region of relay is close to pickup point. Usual adjustment of this relay is same as that of previous type. It is adjusted to close its low temperature contact at 80° C and its high temperature contact at 95° C with a 30° C ambient. General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.



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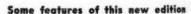
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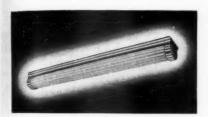
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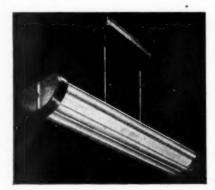




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Fluorescent Unit

This sight-craft commercial natur-lite fluorescent lighting unit is for installation in stores and offices. Reflector is finished in white Vitrolux fired porcelain enamel. Hanger and end plates are finished in satin aluminum. This unit is available with or without hanger. Smoot-Holman Company Inglewood, California.



SMOOT-HOLMAN FLUORESCENT UNIT

Fluorescent Fixture

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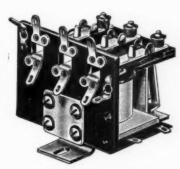
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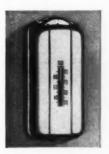
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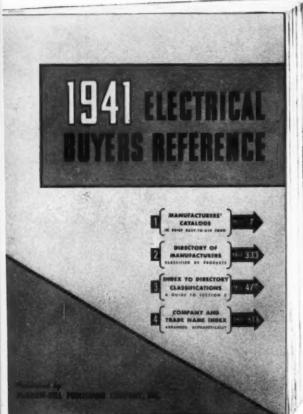
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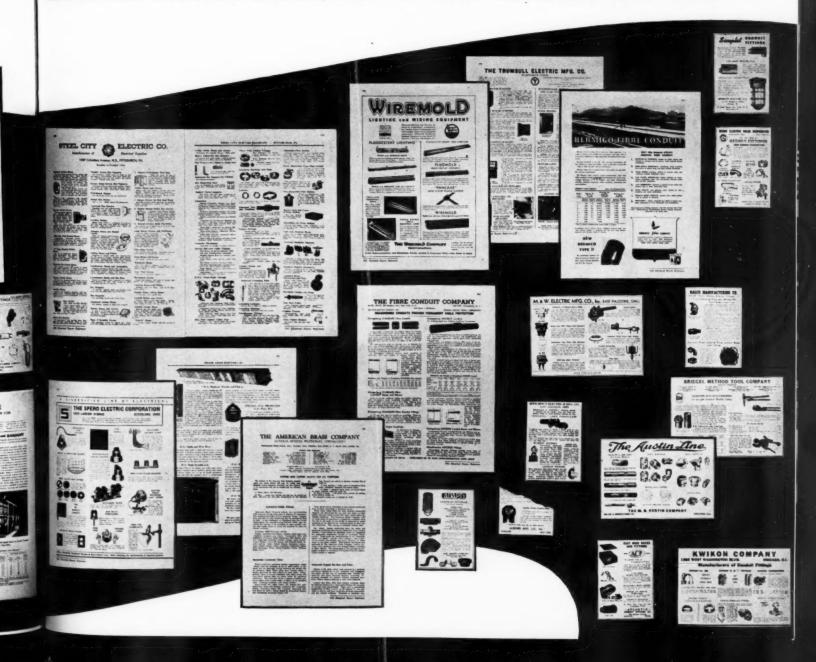
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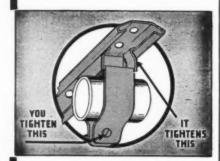
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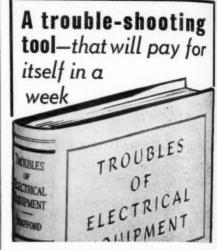
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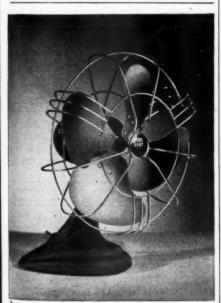
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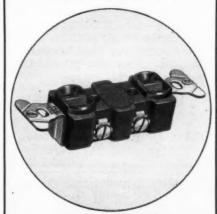


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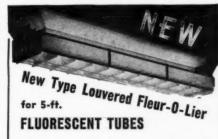
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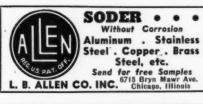
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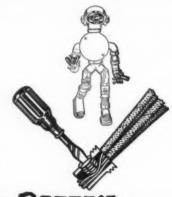
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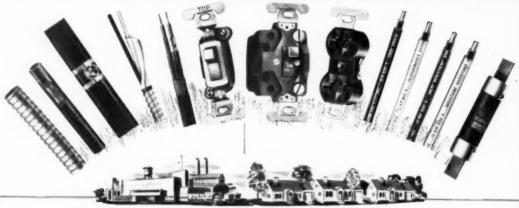
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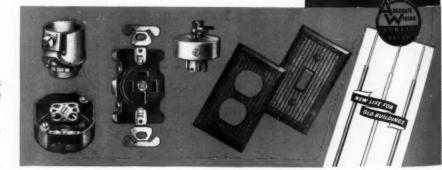
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